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FAIRLEAD

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Coming Events

Anchors Aweigh BBQ
October 20, 2007

Christmas Dance
December 1, 2007

Anchors Aweigh BBQ

Our annual Anchors Aweigh BBQ will be held at 1700 hrs. on October 20, 2007, at the Airport Yacht Club, 8331 River Road, Richmond, V6X 1Y1 (floating clubhouse at the Vancouver Marina in front of the Boathouse Restaurant). Tickets are \$ 15.00. See you there!
A map to this location follows in this issue.

Spring Graduation Ceremony



*Celebrating the Spring graduation at the Airport Yacht Club
(Picture by U. Easterbrook)*

A total of 37 students graduated from the Spring courses held in Richmond and Ladner. A significant proportion attended the Graduation Party, held in the Airport Yacht Club on the 30th May. They were presented with their certificates by incoming PRO Eleanor Yashimoto, Commander Bob Everson and our Squadron Traing Officer, Kathleen Vanderwood. Many of the Graduates subsequently joined the Squadron Afterwards, the party was entertained by the well-known photographer, Ms. Ursula Easterbrook, who gave a witty description of two trips by sail-boat to the Great Bear Rain Forest and the Khutzen Mateen Bear Sanctuary. The 160 pictures included some of the spectacular scenery as well as many close-ups of bears in their natural habitat. Everyone enjoyed the show and Eleanor was so impressed, she asked if Ursula could be placed on the list of speakers for the rest of the PMD.

(E. Knowlton)



Christmas Dinner & Dance

Our annual Christmas Dinner and Dance will be held on December 1, 2007, at the Delta Town and Country Inn. More details will be provided in the next 'Fairlead' issue. This event always a great time where we are well-fed and dance the night away. Mark your calendar.



Humour

Chart - a type of map which tells you exactly where you are aground.

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OPERATION OF MOTORIZED DINGHIES IN US WATERS

Any dinghy with an outboard motor of any power operated in US waters must be registered in Washington or licensed in BC. Failure to do so have already lead to the imposition of significant fines.

One location convenient to Fraser Squadron members is the Service Canada office located at 301-4940 No. 3 Rd., Richmond. This is in the NE quartile of the junction of No. 3 Rd. and Alderbridge. The application may be made in person with suitable ID such as a driving license together with proof of purchase e.g. invoice which includes the boat serial number. This also demonstrates payment of GST and PST. The license application form is filled in by Service Canada and is fairly straightforward with the following exceptions. The term "domestic" includes US made boats purchased in Canada and Canadian taxes paid. The term Compliance label No. is obscure. I filled in the capacity plate data but this was deleted and left blank. There are limited choices for hull material, type and colour. For example my Livingstone had to be called "monohull" rather than the manufacturer's more accurate description of twin V.

Despite the claim that the licensing, amongst other thing, helps Search and Rescue, there is no provision for the vessel's name or, if it is a tender, the name and registration number of the mother ship. The licensing process also lead to a reminder of the requirements for safety equipment such as a floating line, whistle, bailer and waterproof torch.

Further information can be obtained from 1-800-206 7218 or www.servicecanada.gc.ca/en/sc/boats/pcl./shmtl. (E. Knowlton)

Fire at Point Roberts Marina

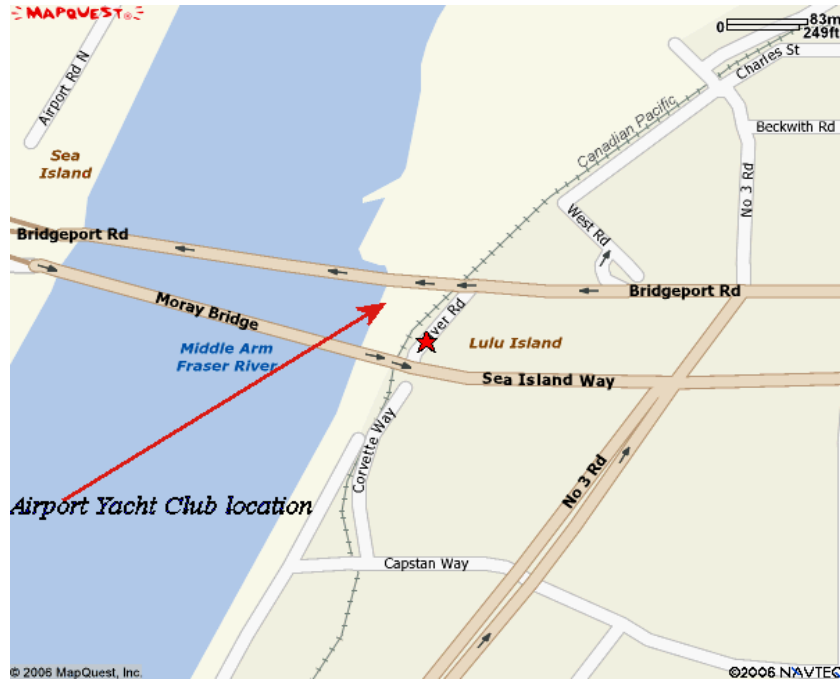
On Friday, October 5, 2007, a vessel moored at 'J' dock in the Point Roberts Marina caught fire. By the time the blaze was brought under control through the combined efforts of the Point Roberts and Delta Fire Departments three vessels had been extensively damaged.



Training

The VHF course is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 7, 2007. The course runs for three consecutive Wednesday evenings. Attendance is limited and pre-registration is required. To register contact Kathleen Vanderwood, STO-Training (604-946-6765).

Directions to the Airport Yacht Club



'Pleasure Bent' and 'Fisherman' Awards

One of the highlights of the Christmas Dinner & Dance (Saturday, December 1, 2007) is the awarding of the 'Pleasure Bent' and 'Fisherman' awards. These awards are in response to the age old questions:

“Who hit the biggest rock?” for the Pleasure Bent Award

“Who caught the biggest fish?” for the Fisherman Award

We need candidates for these awards. Please contact the Commander, Bob Everson, if you, or another member landed a big catch, or suffered some particularly embarrassing moment on the water.



Squadron Cruises

Fraser Squadron Cruises- 2007

Port Browning- May 18-21 A small but enthusiastic assembly of five boats enjoyed the beauty of Port Browning. A few showers did not stop us from a spirited game of bocci, won by Les Muller and Alan Rudolf.

Saltspring Island Marina-June 29-July 02. We had a good turn-out of 11 boats for this cruise and the weather cooperated. Everyone enjoyed the fireworks and gatherings at the dock. Needless to say, excursions to town were most enjoyable.

Ladysmith Maritime Society- Aug 03-06- A smaller than expected number of boats for this cruise however we did have 9 boats that enjoyed this long weekend. BC Day celebrations prevailed with parades, competitions, and fireworks all weekend. Again we enjoyed a bbq at the Ladysmith yacht club complete with a huge game of "pictionary" which ended in a tie between the ladies and gentlemen. A presentation was made to Harold and Judy Moy for sponsoring us for the use of the yacht club. Pictured in one of the shots is Bob Everson, Rick and Rose Eastom and Alan Eldred. The other picture is "coffee on the dock" another one of our traditions.

Alan and Alberta Rudolf

2007 cruisemasters



Ladysmith Cruise