



Vancouver 2016, October 25 to 30



It is Vancouver's turn to host the CPS-ECP Annual General Meeting (AGM). The Pacific Mainland District (PMD) of which Fraser is a member Squadron has a team involved in the Conference planning. A number of our members are active on the Conference Committee and others are volunteering their time to assist in the various functions.

Fraser Squadron wishes to make a big showing at the roll-call that forms part of the AGM on Saturday, October 29, 0830 to 1200. **Accordingly, Fraser Squadron will host the AGM luncheon, Saturday, October 29 (1200 to 1400) for any Fraser member that attends the AGM.**

There are a limited number of these tickets available and they are on a first come basis!

To receive this credit bring your receipt from one of the following:

1. Register and pre-pay for the lunch by following the links found below:

Online Registration: <http://www.cps-ecp.ca/?WCE=C=56|K=242660|CAL=224335>

or

Mail-in Registration: http://www.vancouver2016.ca/images/Forms/Registration_draft_en.pdf

(mail-in forms are also available from our Bridge members)

or

Registration can also be done in person before the start of the AGM at **0830, Saturday, October 29.**

For more information about the conference go to:

<http://www.vancouver2016.ca>

If you can volunteer your time during the period from Wednesday, October 26 through Saturday, October 29 please contact:

Paul Vanderwood: 604-946-4184 or goldenmeantraining@telus.net

We can advise you on the various volunteer duties that we are trying to staff. **Thank you** in advance for helping out!

The Cruise of One

The cruise to Otter Bay was planned for July 29 to August 1. Although we have not had many north-westers this summer, for this weekend it blew! After numerous forecast checks our cruise master made the decision to 'pull the pin'. Wouldn't you know: The wind did go down late Saturday and remained mostly absent for the rest of the weekend.

We know of one vessel that did not hear the cancellation: **Sequoia** was already cruising in the Gulf Islands and became our 'lonely' representative in Otter Bay. Good on you Sequoia!

Cruising to Maple Bay



There were tests such as identifying different beers. Win or lose this was fun!



And, there was loads of great food!

Thank you to Dave and Willina Collins who have their houseboat at Maple Bay and offered up their living room and deck space for the pot-luck dinner on Saturday evening.



Active encouragement to 'help' *Blue R Budget* come in to dock.



Many little fish but they were hard to catch!

Recognize Your Anchor?



Some well-used, some little used! Which is yours?

Fall 2016 and Winter / Spring 2017 Education Program

VHF – Maritime Radio

Members: single: \$110; couple: \$135; DSC only: single \$60, couple \$85
Non-members: single: \$125; couple: \$150; DSC only: single \$75, couple \$100

The course and examination for the **Restricted Operator Certificate (Maritime) with DSC Endorsement** exam are conducted in 1-day. The course requires home study before the Saturday session. You will receive the course materials in advance as well as direction from the instructor to help you in your studies.

The VHF course will be held on each of the following days:

Saturday, November 26, 2016

Saturday, January 28, 2017

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Saturday, March 25, 2017

Saturday, April 29, 2017

Boating Basics – PCOC (Operator's Card)

Course price:

non-members: \$125; \$50 for second person at same address
members: \$100; \$25 for second person at same address

<i>Location</i>	<i>Course Begins</i>	<i>Exam Date</i>
Richmond	Jan 10, 2017	Jan 24, 2017
Ladner	Jan 12, 2017	Jan 26, 2017

Beyond the PCOC – Boating 2

(prerequisite is Boating Basics)

Course price:

non-members: \$175; \$100 for second person at same address
members: \$150; \$75 for second person at same address

<i>Location</i>	<i>Course Begins</i>	<i>Exam Date</i>
Richmond	Feb 7, 2017	Mar 14, 2017
Ladner	Feb 9, 2017	Mar 16, 2017

Introduction to Navigation – Boating 3

(prerequisites are Boating Basics *and* Beyond the PCOC)

Course price:

non-members: \$175; \$100 for second person at same address

members: \$150; \$75 for second person at same address

<i>Location</i>	<i>Course Begins</i>	<i>Exam Date</i>
Richmond	Apr 4, 2017	May 9, 2017
Ladner	Apr 6, 2017	May 11, 2017

The Squadron is always looking for instructors and proctors to assist with the courses. If you are interested please contact our Education Officer.

For those planning to extend their boating knowledge, White Rock Squadron is planning a **Seamanship Course** in January, 2017.



Regalia

Here is a list of the supplies we have on hand for the Squadron members:

3 - CPS ties for men (\$20.00 ea.)

2 - CPS silk scarves for dress (\$10.00 ea.)

12 - CPS small crest (\$2.50) [super sale price]

18 - CPS flags with ropes (\$12.00 ea.)

4 – old type FRASER SQUADRON burgees (\$15.00 ea.)

2 – new type FRASER SQUADRON burgees (\$25.00 ea.)

20 - FRASER SQUADRON pins \$2.50 ea.)

1 - FRASER SQUADRON cap (\$15.00 ea.)

11 - FRASER SQUADRON blazer crests - can fold into a blazer pocket (\$12.00 ea.)

Contact: **Donalda Buie** at **604-271-7938**

Also check out the CPS web site www.cps-ecp.ca and look under ship stores for CPS logo'd items.



If My Feet are Wet is the Boat Sinking?

When we purchased 'Golden Mean' the bilge pump hose connected into the cockpit drain hose which exited just above the water line. This resulted in an unsightly dirty trail on the white bootstripe.

The Internet also provided the idea that if you do not have a bilge alarm (we don't) then you need a visual indicator that the pump is working because you will not hear it over the engine. For sailboats this can be having the pump dump the water into the cockpit.

Many years ago, we re-routed the pump hose to exit into our cockpit at seat level. Hmmm, can you see where this is going?

While enjoying the cruise at Maple Bay, 'P' decided to clean the salt deposits out of the vented loops and also tighten the stuffing box.

On the morning of Labour Day we watered up, started the engine and had a nice leisurely 'good-bye' chat on the dock. We then slowly motored (aren't sailboats always slow?) into Maple Bay and followed the ebb down Sansum Narrows.

Entering Satellite Channel, we are both sitting in the cockpit enjoying the morning when the Admiral's feet get wet. The bilge pump has started and is pumping furiously.

A bit of a freaky moment!

Ok, moment of panic:

- engine down to idle and in neutral
- remove throw carpets and open the bilge
- **** the water up to the floorboards
- check the engine, water is running past it from further back in the boat. Could it be the stuffing box?
- open the cockpit locker and start throwing 'stuff' out to get access to the stuffing box.

The vented loop for the raw water injection is mounted in this locker and is busy spraying water from the little vent hole on the top.

Grrr, figured out the problem: 'P' had installed the little vent cap the wrong way! It's supposed to let the air in and NOT let the water out!

An easy fix, and after pumping the bilges (more water seemed to appear each time the boat rolled) we carried on.

Another story for the log book!

Kathleen and Paul



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We thank the Bridge members for serving and are always on the lookout for additional Squadron members to assist with functions. Give Dave a call if you want to be more active in our Squadron.

The editor is always looking for content. Please share your summer boating stories; the good, the bad, and wonderful spots you journeyed to.