



Fraser Squadron 2019 October Fairlead.

Happy Halloween from all of us at Fraser
Squadron

Membership



As a member of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons there is a long list of perks for **YOU!**

Okay, I have your attention and I have about ten seconds to keep your attention, here goes the elevator version of why you should renew your Fraser Squadron membership.

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Join us for an evening of fun, food and camaraderie.

After dinner,
host Bob will provide an evening of entertainment and prizes.

Dinner is catered so it's important to pre-register so we can let the caterer know the final head count.

Registration cut-off is November 18

Only 60 seats available, register ASAP!

[Click here for more details and to register](#)

Fraser Power & Sail Squadron – Fall 2019 Course Offerings

Canadian Power & Sail Courses Offered by Fraser Power & Sail Squadron

The following courses are offered in Ladner through Delta Parks & Rec.:

(note: prices include the admin fee)

Boating 1 - Boating Basics (PCOC or 'Operator's Card')

Course Date: 3 Thursday evenings, November 07, 14, and 21, 2019 from 7 to 9 pm.

Location: Ladner Community Centre, Multi-purpose Room

Boating 1 (Boating Basics) covers the minimum requirements for the Pleasure Craft Operator's Card (PCOC). The Manual and the Transport Canada examination are provided as part of this course.

This course includes; Equipping your boat, Safety awareness, Marine rules of the road, Aids to Navigation, Docking, Trailering and Anchoring.

Price: \$125 individual registration, \$ 50 for 2nd person of a family

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The following courses are offered directly by Fraser Squadron in Richmond:

Boating 1 - Boating Basics (PCOC or 'Operator's Card')

Course Date: 3 Wednesday evenings, November 06, 13, and 20, 2019 from 7 to 9 pm.

Location: Steveston Harbour Authority classroom

Boating 1 (Boating Basics) covers the minimum requirements for the Pleasure Craft Operator's Card (PCOC). The Manual and the Transport Canada examination are provided as part of this course.

This course includes; Equipping your boat, Safety awareness, Marine rules of the road, Aids to Navigation, Docking, Trailering and Anchoring.

Price: \$125 individual registration, \$ 50 for 2nd person of a family.

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VHF Maritime Radio

Course Date: November 30, 2019 (8:30 am to 4 pm)

Location: Richmond Yacht Club, 7471 River Road, Richmond, BC

The Maritime Radio course teaches emergency radio procedures and everyday operating techniques. Learn all about the uses of marine radios, choice of frequencies, operation, phonetic alphabet, procedural words and phrases, as well as Digital Selective Calling and the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System, (DSC/GMDSS). All mariners, including recreational boaters, will want to take advantage of the many features and capabilities of this innovative form "automatic" radio. Secure your lifeline. Be sure that you and your family take the Maritime Radio course.

This complete package with CD, and the new Digital Selective Calling, will prepare you for the Restricted Operator Certificate (Maritime) with DSC Endorsement exam. To operate a maritime radio, you need the certificate. It's the law!

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The spookiest Ghost Ship Stories From Around The World



To get you in the mood for Halloween 2019, We bring you the best stories of haunted ghost ships through the years, from the disappearing crew of Carroll A. Deering to the mystery of Mary Celeste.

Although the earth's warming temperatures mean that the Northwest Passage is now free (albeit not easy) to sail through, this was not always the case. The search for the elusive passage claimed the lives of many ambitious sailors in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries; keen to find an alternate trade route to Asia, their ships would become lodged in Arctic ice, sealing their fate in the Great White North. The *Octavius* was one of many to meet such a fate, but the grim scenes found on board was what made the story of this ghost ship particularly terrifying.

The three-masted schooner departed from England in 1761, but was found off the coast of Greenland in 1775. Her captain had, unluckily decided to try and use the then nonexistent Northwest Passage (which superyacht *Rosehearty* has since cleared) to return home. The five men who boarded the derelict ship in 1775 were confronted with a ghostly sight; the entire 28-man crew was below deck, but frozen to death. The icy figure of the ship's captain was discovered sitting at his desk, writing in his logbook, pen still in hand. The last logbook entry was in 1762 - the ghost ship and her crew had been lost at sea for 13 years before being found.

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Join Us!

Can you spare
an hour or two of your time a
month to volunteer at Fraser
Squadron?

Contact Cleve to find out how:

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Tell Your Story!

Have a story to share?
Send it over, we would be happy
to publish it in our newsletter.

Send your story to Fairlead editor

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Safe Waterways For All Vessels



We are so fortunate to live in Canada. With five main ocean watersheds (Canadian Geographic, 2019), over 8,500 named rivers (Statistics Canada, 2016) and home to the most lakes in the world (World Atlas, 2017) – Canada has more than enough opportunities to get on the water & plenty of space to share once out there.

People across our country choose to engage and spend time on the water in many different ways – from power boating to sailing, paddling to swimming. Many different variables can dictate the way we engage with our waterways – location, leisure time, community and disposable income, to name a few.

Not everyone is able to go “boating” in the more traditional sense – powerboat or sailboat. One of the most common reasons expressed, especially from youth, is that boating is inherently an expensive past time... the popular saying: “a boat is a hole in the water into which one pours money” exists for a reason. It’s clear that removing barriers to inclusion and recognizing the importance of other vessel options for accessing our waterways is very important.

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See a BLOW? Go SLOW!

*It's a Matter of Boater
and Whale Safety.*

- Whale sightings are frequent in this area.
- **Collisions happen** causing injury to boaters and whales.
- Whales, especially Humpbacks, can **surface suddenly** and be very **unaware of boats**.
- Be on the lookout for blows at all times.
- **Go slow if you see a blow.**
- The **Whale Watch Flag**, when raised on boats, warns whales are near.
- **Give whales space**, at least 200m but consider whale size and behaviour for safe distance. Know the **Marine Mammal Regulations***.
- Be alert for aggregations of birds. This often means there is a lot of feed and thereby an enhanced chance of whale presence.
- Please report incidents e.g. disturbance, collision and entanglement to **DFO's Reporting Line 1-800-465-4336** or Coast Guard VHF 16.
- See **www.SeeABlowGoSlow.org** for more information. Includes ***Marine Mammal Regulations**, areas of known whale density, what to do in case of whale entanglement, and **Be Whale Wise** guidelines.



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