



The Fairlead



Newsletter of the Fraser Power & Sail Squadron

Commander's Message

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Here we are; time is flying by having just had a very successful Anchors Away get together which was very well attended.

I had the honor of presenting the Chief Commanders Citation to Alan Eldred. Alan has officially retired from the Bridge and will be missed after 36 years of volunteering to CPS and 35 years of instructing. We will especially miss his stories.

We also had a great presentation by Iain Smith from the BC Cetacean Society. We have put a link from our web page to the web page for this association: www.wildwhales.org.

- Our fall Boating classes are well under way and we have seen a return in numbers that is encouraging.
- As I look at our Calendar, the CPS AGM will held on the West Coast in Nanaimo from Oct 21 to 24.
- Coming right in behind the CPS AGM is our annual Christmas event. Due to last year's great success we have booked a little larger banquet hall. We have rebooked the same DJ with his active dance floor interaction. You can also look forward to a great buffet dinner, lots of fun, and dancing. (see you there)

Speaking of Christmas, what do you get the sailor that has everything? Our regalia list on our web page has lots of items and even some hot clearance items (while stock last). Or maybe your gift will be a course in the spring, In this issue Kathleen Vanderwood our Training Officer will describe what courses we will be offering and the cost of each. With the renewed number of students in our Boating courses we are looking for those individuals that have found a little free time and are able to give a little back to a cause that is close to all our hearts (safe boating education). Please contact myself if you want to know more about what you could do to help the Squadron educate members of the public.

Rick Easthom - Fraser Squadron Commander

Safe Boating Through Education

<http://www.frasersquadron.ca/>

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Coming Events

Christmas Dinner & Dance

6:00 pm.

Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010

(New) Boating Classes

Ladner Class
7 pm. Thursday,
January 20, 2011

Richmond Class
7 pm. Tuesday,
February 15, 2011

Christmas Dinner and Dance

It's that time of the year again folks and we have changed the venue to the **Sundance Place Banquet Room**. It is located at **6574 Ladner Trunk Road, East Ladner**. Their telephone number is 604-946-4288.

This year we have the full turkey dinner planned with all the trimmings. Our menu has not been finalized but you will enjoy the great tasting food. We also have an awesome DJ for the evening who will keep you wanting to shuffle those feet out onto the dance floor. It will be a fun evening and I look forward to seeing you all there.

Time is 6:00 p.m. for cocktails and dinner is at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$40.00 (same as last year) per person. There will be spot dances and lots of door prizes. I will need a head count for the dinner, so can you please call me to confirm that you are coming....this is really important for the Sundance Place, so we can plan how many people are coming.

If you should have any questions please feel free to call **Rose Easthom** at **604-604-8389**. If I am not home please leave a message.

Volunteering

As each year goes by we find our personal time changing; it seems we never have more spare time. Each year we find events in our lives changing and maybe this is the year that you may be able to find a few hours to volunteer.

As you know our organization is made up of volunteers. Our Bridge meets once a month for an hour and a half to discuss and plan the running of our squadron. We also have instructors and proctors that teach our courses; these are all volunteers. We all share the love of boating and our objective is to have fun, make a difference to help new boaters, and boaters that realize that they may need to upgrade their knowledge on the water.

As with all volunteer organizations we need to see new people taking an active role to keep the squadron healthy with a strong future. If you feel that you may be able to volunteer some of your time I would be very pleased to hear from you. Email me , Rick Easthom at ricke@telus.net

Fraser Bridge Recognizes Alan Eldred

At the September Bridge meeting the Squadron Bridge recognized the service provided by Alan Eldred. Alan, assisted by June, volunteered his time to the Squadron for 36 years and taught over 1000 Boating students during that time.

This editor has his certificate from the Boating course in 1977 signed by Alan.

Alan was presented with a special award to recognize his contribution to the Squadron.



Anchors Aweigh BBQ

A very successful Anchors Aweigh event was held on October 2nd at the Tsawwassen Golf & Country Club. This is the last event in the Club's old facility. By the time you receive this Fairlead the clubhouse may have been bulldozed to make way for the new development.

Our Commander recognized Alan Eldred and presented Alan with the Chief Commander's Citation for his many years of service to our Squadron and CPS-ECP.

The members enjoyed a presentation about our local marine mammals by Iain Smith from the Cetacean Research Lab, Vancouver Aquarium. More details can be found in the following web links:

www.wildwhales.org

www.vanaqua.org



Introducing Our New Regalia Officer

We are pleased to announce that **Glen Williams** has agreed to be our new Regalia Officer. Regalia consists of the burgees, flags, pins, clothing and other items that CPS members can wear to show their accomplishments and their association with the Canadian Power & Sail organization. We have a number of regalia items that may be the ideal gift for the sailor in your house. Look to our web site soon for pictures and prices. To order you can reach Glen at 778-809-4218 or glennwilliams@telus.net

Electronic Navigation on the Cheap (in US Waters)

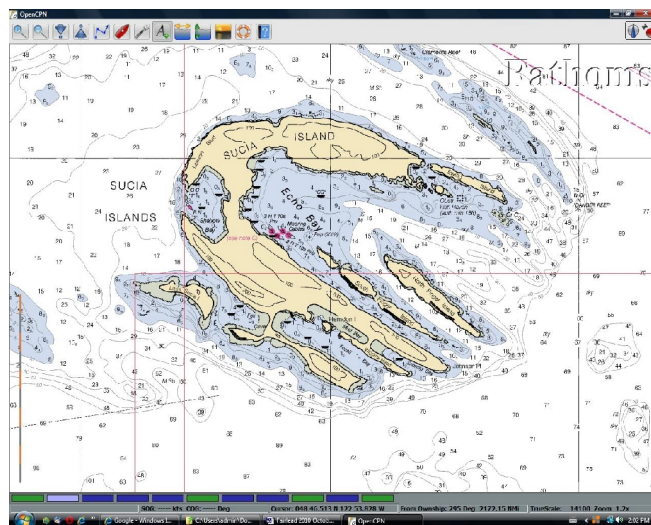
On 'Golden Mean' we use an older laptop to assist in our navigation. We have been using two free (or nearly free) electronic navigation programs to display the charts and our course made good on the chart. At this time these program can not use the Canadian raster charts encrypted in the BSB4 format. US charts can, however, be downloaded and installed without charge. This allows a boater to have the latest version available when travelling south of the border.

1. OpenCPN

OpenCPN is a free software product consisting of a chart plotter and navigation software for use underway or as a planning tool. It is developed by a team of active sailors.

Web link: <http://www.opencpn.org/>

Sample screen shot (raster chart):

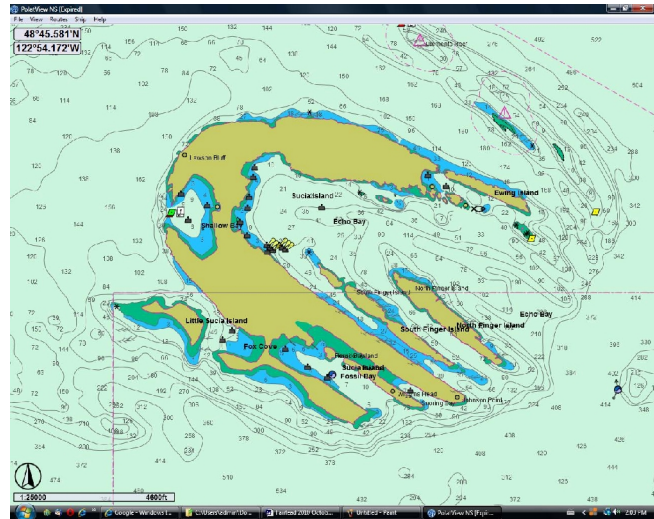


2. Polar Navy

This product consists of two applications: Polar View to view the charts and Polar Com to display the navigation instruments and the GPS interface. Polar View is free but Polar Com costs \$ 39.99 USD.

Web link: <http://www.polarnavy.com/>

Sample screen shot (vector chart):



Local Knowledge

- need some info here ***

Updating your information on the CPS-ECP Web Site

- perhaps next time???

Check Out the Changes to our Website

Our webmaster, Bob Everson, has made a number of changes to the Fraser Squadron website. You'll see changes in the 'look' and feel' but Bob's efforts also allow many of us to easily update the content such as articles, photos, etc. on these web pages.

Use of this site is free but certain benefits are only available to registered users. Registering provides access to the following features:

- Access current and past Fairlead editions

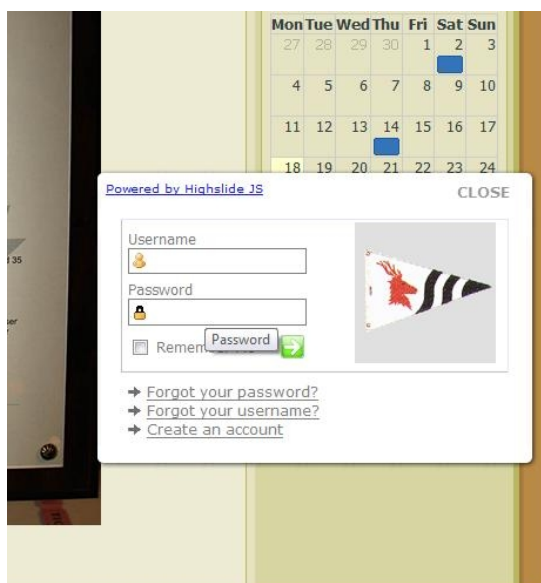
- Notifications when updates are made to the site
- Upload photos to the Members Boats area; this is the place where you can add a picture of your boat. There is also a photo album for your favourite nautical photo.

In order to register:

1. Find the Login 'button' on the right side part way down the first web page (see below):



2. Click on this 'button' to open the registration menu (see below):



3. Fill in the questionnaire seen below:



Recipe Corner

"Creamy Artichoke and Leek Dip" Jan Muller

- 1 cup Real Mayonnaise
- 1 cup Pkg. Knorr Cream of Leek Soup Mix
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 can(14 oz) artichoke hearts, drained and chopped
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1 clove garlic, minced

Combine all and bake uncovered 350 degrees 25 minutes or until heated through.
Enjoy warm with crackers.

Let us remember:

Remembrance Day - November 11, 2010

