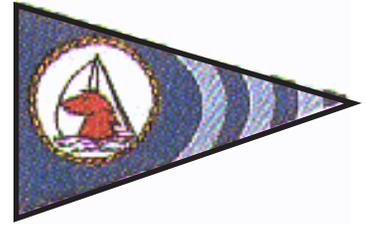


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Christmas Party 2006

by Marilyn Yates



November 25th was the date we set for our **Christmas Party** in the Fort Langley Lion's Hall. 43 members were welcomed into the hall, beautifully set up with poinsettias on the tables, candles burning and the fireplace giving off a warming glow and the Christmas tree brightly lit in the background.

Before enjoying a delicious meal catered by The Native Daughters of B.C. Post #6, everyone had a little time to visit and choose their places for the



evening. After dinner we drew the names of the lucky raffle prizes,

1st prize, of a large basket with a bottle of ice wine and a variety of homemade goodies won by Donna Herrenger (Rod Snazel's sister).

2nd prize, of a basket with wine, cheese and crackers won by Warren Merkel and

3rd prize, bottle of wine won by Ed Bolli.

Marilyn Yates

Commander

by Jim Henderson



Hi all. The days are starting to get longer and the skies seem to be getting a little drier.

Now that the boat show is behind us I am sure everyone is excited as much as I am to get out and start enjoying some time on the water.

There has been a lot of activity in the last few months, both at the National Level and here in our own squadron.

On January 13-14 the Governing Board meeting was held in Toronto, and a number of motions were presented with the following results:

GB2-NM1 The Uniforms (Dress Code) – There was a great deal of discussion on this issue with a number of amendments brought forward. The final motion states that the CPS dress code will be the following

1. The Blazer Ensemble (blues & greys) will be the new formal dress for all members.
2. A new casual outfit consisting of a CPS shirt with the CPS logo worn with slacks or skirt will be an option for all members.
3. A business suit or equivalent in lieu of the Blazer Ensemble would be acceptable for members wishing to attend the more formal venues.

This motion was carried and the new dress code becomes effective October 27, 2007 after which the use of all other uniforms will be discontinued

GB2-NM2 The Ranks –With the exception to the title of Chief Commander, District Commander, Squadron Commander and the equivalent Past Commander titles, CPS will dispense with the use of all ranks. Bridge Officers and Committee heads will be referred to by their office. As an example the Squadron Training Officer would be “*Squadron Training Officer*” the Treasurer would be the “*Squadron Treasurer*” etc. The use of flags would continue, as they would now relate to the office and not the rank. The grade designation (S, P, AP, AP, JN, CN, N, and SN) would also be retained. This motion was approved. Squadrons should now discontinue the use of rank with the exception of Commander and Past Commander titles.

GB2-NM4 2010 AGM and Conference – This motion was to approve Vancouver Island District North as hosts for the 2010 Annual General Meeting and Conference. The AGM/Conference to be held in Nanaimo. The motion was approved.

A “**Membership Proposal**” was presented to Governing Board. The idea would be to include the first year of membership in CPS in the cost of the Boating Course. Various Squadrons across the country are presently doing this with mixed results. Although there was general support for such plans at the Governing Board a great deal of more study needs to be undertaken before a motion can be brought forward. Stay tuned for more details over the coming months.

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Training

by Mike Gervan

Congratulations to the 27 students who completed the basic boating course this past fall. A fine job of teaching by Bill Woodall and CMD Jim Henderson was reflected by the high marks on the test.

The Boating season is just around the corner and the spring Basic Boating course is well under way with 35

students enrolled. We would really like to see more people come out and help proctor on Mondays. The students are working on chart work and cruises and proctors are needed to provide help to students.

Other courses offered this session are the The VHF course which has 32 students and will be completed by the time you read this. Thanks to Dave Peebles and Ron Yates for teaching this course. Also, the Boat Pro is running this session with 13 students enrolled. Thanks to John Hubbard and Terry Watling who are dedicating their time to teach this course.



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Commanders Report contd.

Our squadron has been very busy. I asked Doug Romily, one of our Instructors, if he could take on a special project. Doug developed a power point presentation that will be used by every squadron across Canada. The presentation will be used by the squadrons to promote CPS to their

local governments, service groups, school boards, and Chamber of Commerce's. We found that many people know about CPS but don't know what we do. This presentation will inform every one.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every Member of this year's Bridge for all your hard work and time. It has been a pleasure to work with you.

As we are always looking for both existing and new members to lend a hand, now is the time...If you are interested in either joining the bridge (we do have some openings) or just want to help out in classes and Proctor please give me a call, I'm looking forward to working with you this year.

Jim Henderson

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Socials

by Marilyn Yates



Our **pub night** on October 14th at the Fort Langley pub was a fun evening. We played a game of 50/50 with that lucky lady, Gail Wade taking home the winnings.

What ?

AN INVITATION TO
LANGLEY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON'S
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND
CHANGE OF WATCH DINNER**

Where?

FORT LANGLEY GOLF COURSE
9782 MCKINNON CRESCENT, FORT LANGLEY

When ?

APRIL 21, 2007
Cocktails at 1800 hrs - Dinner at 1900 hrs - AGM at 2000 hrs
Tickets are **\$30.00** each
(no ticket required for attending only the AGM)

Wonderful!

BUFFET DINNER IN THE MacKENZIE ROOM
overlooking the beautiful 18th hole

Warning

TICKETS WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE UNTIL APRIL 7th!
And must be paid for in advance
due to Golf Course requirements!

Who?

GUESTS ARE WELCOME!

Tickets can be ordered by calling: **Marilyn 604-888-5767 Sandie 604-856-6771**
Marolyn 604-530-7645 Bob 604-882-1048
or they can be purchased from any instructor at Monday night classes.

Special note:

The tickets for this evening will be offered to the
2006 NEW MEMBERS of LPSS on a 2 for 1 basis!

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Membership

by Sandie Henderson



Graduates from the Fall 2006 class

In January 11 students of our Fall Boating class joined our Squadron!

I would like to welcome our newest members, *Richard Dube & Janie Meijer, Bryan Roberts, Isabelle Schaffner & Sean Karan, Dave Sanche, Bruce Hoschka, Shane & Lisa Fawkes, and Jeff & Lisa Adams.*

I would also like to welcome *Terry and Anne Storey* who have transferred in from Burnaby Squadron.

I hope we will see all of these new faces at our cruises and social functions soon!

As I'm going to start updating my membership database for the Roster, I ask that if you have moved, or changed your phone number or email address, or have a new boat name to add, could

you please update me with this info at trincomalleeci@shaw.ca

This will ensure that your listing is correct in the Roster, that you receive your Roster, Datum Data and Pacific Yachting Magazine.

Have a great season on the water!

Sandie Henderson

Environment

by Gordon Anderson

A review of drafts of revisions and additions that are to be made to the "Save Environmental Boating Guide";

Update on information on draft Sewage regulations by the Federal Government;

A review of the upcoming requirements of enforcement of Best Management Practices for Marinas under Environment Canada; and other issues that may be brought up.

The most recent information that I have regarding the Draft Sewage Regulations suggest that a number of changes have been made from the original proposals. The most significant from our prospective, are the change of terminology from "nearest land" to "from shore" and the rule reads:

"the discharge is made at a distance of at least 3nm from shore while the ship is en route at the fastest practical

speed"; and "if it is not practical to comply with the above, because the ship is less than 6nm from shore, the discharge is made into the deepest waters that are the farthest from shore while the ship is en route at the fastest practical speed in waters with currents moving away from shore".

As well the requirement for "record keeping" seems to have been dropped.

There are still outstanding issues that have to be addressed, such as the Porta Potti's (making them exempt); and clarity of the concept of "deepest water - farthest from land - in currents moving away from shore" and other problem areas.

Hopefully, I will have an update on these items at the meeting on Saturday.

Gord Anderson

Unfortunately, our bridge meeting occurs just before the environmental meeting, which I will be attending on Saturday Feb. 24. The topics we will be discussing at that meeting will include:

LANGLEY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON NOMINATING REPORT, FEBRUARY 25th 2007

1. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers:

Commander	Cdr Jim Henderson	604 856-6771
Executive Officer	Bob Stone	604 882-1048
Training Officer	Mike Gervan	604 534-3219
Secretary	Sheena Gervan	604 534-3219
Treasurer	Rod Snazel	604 888-4643
Public Relations Officer	Darryl Day	604 531-4664
Membership	Sandie Henderson	604 856-6771
Marep	Position to be filled	

2. The Squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers, if elected, will have the duties indicated next to their names assigned to them by the Squadron Executive Committee pursuant to Squadron Regulation 6.2.1(d):

Publications Officer	Ed Bolli	604 534-8422
Communications Officer	Darryl Day	604 531-4664

3. The Squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following Member for the appointment by the Members as Auditor of the Squadron:

Auditor	Doug Romilly	604 534-5438
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4. The Squadron Nominating Committee advises that, if elected, the Nominee for Commander intends to appoint the following Members as Staff Officers:

Supply Officer	Position to be filled	
Programs Officer	Ralph Larson	604 576-3114
Socials Officer	Marilyn Yates	604 888-5767
Cruise Master	Candice Stone	604 882-1048
Historian	Inge Snazel	604 888-4643
Electronic Communication	Marolyn Anderson	604 530-7645
Environment Officer	Gordon Anderson	604 530-7645
School Liaison	Sue MacKenzie	604 882-3115
Chief Proctor	Bob Turnbull	604 533-6772
Web Master	Brian Kilpatrick	604 535-4437
Asst Training Boating	Bill Woodall	604 858-4643
Asst Training VHF	Ron Yates	604 888-5767
Asst Training VHF	Dave Peebles	604 534-0718
Asst Training	Shane Fawkes	
Privacy Officer	Theresa Davison	604 298-0880

5. The Squadron Nominating Committee also advises that:

a) the following Member will serve on the Squadron Executive Committee by virtue of his position as immediate Past Commander, and does not require election or appointment:

P/Cdr Terry Watling	604 940-9291
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b) pursuant to Squadron Regulation 9.14.1, the following Members will serve on the Squadron Nominating Committee for 2005/2006 by virtue of their position, and do not require election or appointment

Incoming Commander	Jim Henderson	604 856-6771
Immediate Past Commander	P/Cdr Terry Watling	604 940-9291
Past Commander	P/Cdr Dave Peebles	604 534-0718

Respectfully submitted

Jim Henderson
Terry Watling
Dave Peebles

Notice of Annual General Meeting To the Members of Langley Power and Sail Squadron

Take Notice, the Annual General Meeting of Langley Power and Sail Squadron will be held at **Fort Langley Golf Course**, 9782 McKinnon Crescent, Fort Langley, **Saturday April 21st at 2000** for the purpose of:

- a) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the reports of the Officers of the Squadron;
- b) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the financial statements of the Squadron for the 12 month period ending March 31st 2007, and the report of the Squadron Auditor thereon;
- c) electing the Officers of the Squadron;
- d) appointing the Squadron Auditor;
- e) considering such further and other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

The report of the Squadron Nominating Committee is on the previous page and forms part of this notice. Under Squadron Regulation 12.1, any further nominations must be made by way of petition in writing, signed by not less than 5 Members of this Squadron who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than 2 days prior to the date of this Meeting.

DATED this 25th of February 2007

Squadron Secretary
Sheena Gervan

Ready for the launch?

by Jim Henderson

O'boy its that time again and I'm sure everyone is as anxious to get back out on the water as I am. Its tempting to pull off the cover and just go, but there are 5 things you should take care of first to avoid the maiden voyage from Hades, well you get my point.

Number one on the list is the battery. I can't stress this enough. If you make it away from the dock and your battery isn't 100% you're asking to be towed back. Check the water in each cell unless it is a sealed battery and add if needed. Charge fully and keep the first trip short in case you do need assistance.

Second is changing the oil. If you didn't do this last fall, now is the time. You can take care of this while the battery is charging. If you have never done this it may be a little different than changing it in the family car. Most of the time you need a small pump with a tube that is fed down the dipstick tube and the oil is pumped out. Make sure to warm the engine slightly to thin the oil and suspend any contaminants (but not to hot) before removing with the pump. Place rags under the oil filter and a garbage bag around it to catch any oil that might spill when you remove it. Make sure to put a film of oil on the filter gasket and tighten ¼ turn past hand tight. Add oil, run the motor for one minute then check oil to make sure it is at the proper level.

The **third item** on the list is the fuel filter. Most boats have at least one and

some have two. My boat has three and take it from me this isn't something you want to ignore. After sitting all winter the fuel may be contaminated with water, dirt, sludge

Next make sure all your safety equipment is on board and in working order. Life jackets, horn, flare gun and all other items required by law need to be in good shape and easily accessible.

Fifth and last on the list is a good cleaning. Wash, wax and vacuum. It always seems like your boat runs better when it sparkles and nothing makes you feel better than gliding across the water in something so beautiful every one wishes they were you.

Jim Henderson

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Cruises for 2007

by Candace Stone

Another year is upon us and we are prepared for another full year of cruising. We have four cruises planned for this year. They are:

April 27 - 29

Telegraph Harbour Marina (Tel: 1 800 246 6011) on Thetis Island. There will be a "pot luck" on Saturday night in the local pavillion. As this is the first cruise of the year, it is a good time to meet all your fellow boaters after the long winter, at times get a chance to check out new boats and generally socialize. It always is a good weekend.

May 18 - 21

Port Browning Marina (Tel: 1 250 629 3493) on Pender Island. A number of boaters will be crabbing that weekend with the hope of having enough success to ensure all in attendance will have a feed during Sunday afternoon. Saturday afternoon, we will have appetizers - so bring your favorite.

June 15 - 17

Ganges Marina (Tel: 1 250 537 5242) on Salt Spring Island. Ganges has a wonderful outdoor market, where crafts, jams, jellies etc. can be purchased. For those of you that never have been there, it is an excellent experience. Ganges also offers wonderful shopping, a grocery store and a liquor store within walking distance.

Again this year, we will be having Christmas in Ganges. We are asking all attendees to participate and decorate their boats in a Christmas atmosphere. We will have prizes for the best decorated boat and the runner up. Judging will be done by those at the Marina who are not with the Squadron.

This was always considered one of the best cruises during the year because of decorating the boats, however in the past couple of years we have not done much in this manner. I am requesting full participation from all this year.

We will supply a Christmas Turkey on Saturday evening, including dressing and gravy, at no cost to you. All that we ask is that you attend and supply your favorite Christmas dish. Let's make this cruise one of the best ever, with decorated boats for all to enjoy at the marina.

September 15 - 16

Maple Bay Marina (Tel: 1 866 746 8482).

On Saturday night we have rented the pavillion to have a "pot luck". This year the theme will be Mexican, so bring your favorite Mexican dishes.

Cruising is an important part of boating. It is a chance to meet other boaters in a very relaxed atmosphere. For those who are new to boating and may not feel comfortable about attending and or crossing the Straits, please feel free to give me a call and I will explain the process to you. I know how difficult it is the first time, as that was our situation a couple of years ago, and crossing the Straits and knowing what to take, what is expected etc. was of major concern to us. I will attempt to arrange for you to have a "buddy" crossing the Straits for any of the cruises.

For those who may not be familiar with the Marinas, I would encourage you to look at their facilities on the internet. They are easy to find by just typing in the name of the Marina in Google.

Please feel free to contact me at **604 882-1048** or e-mail at **bbbandkc@telus.net**

Candace Stone