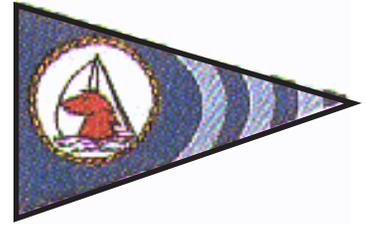


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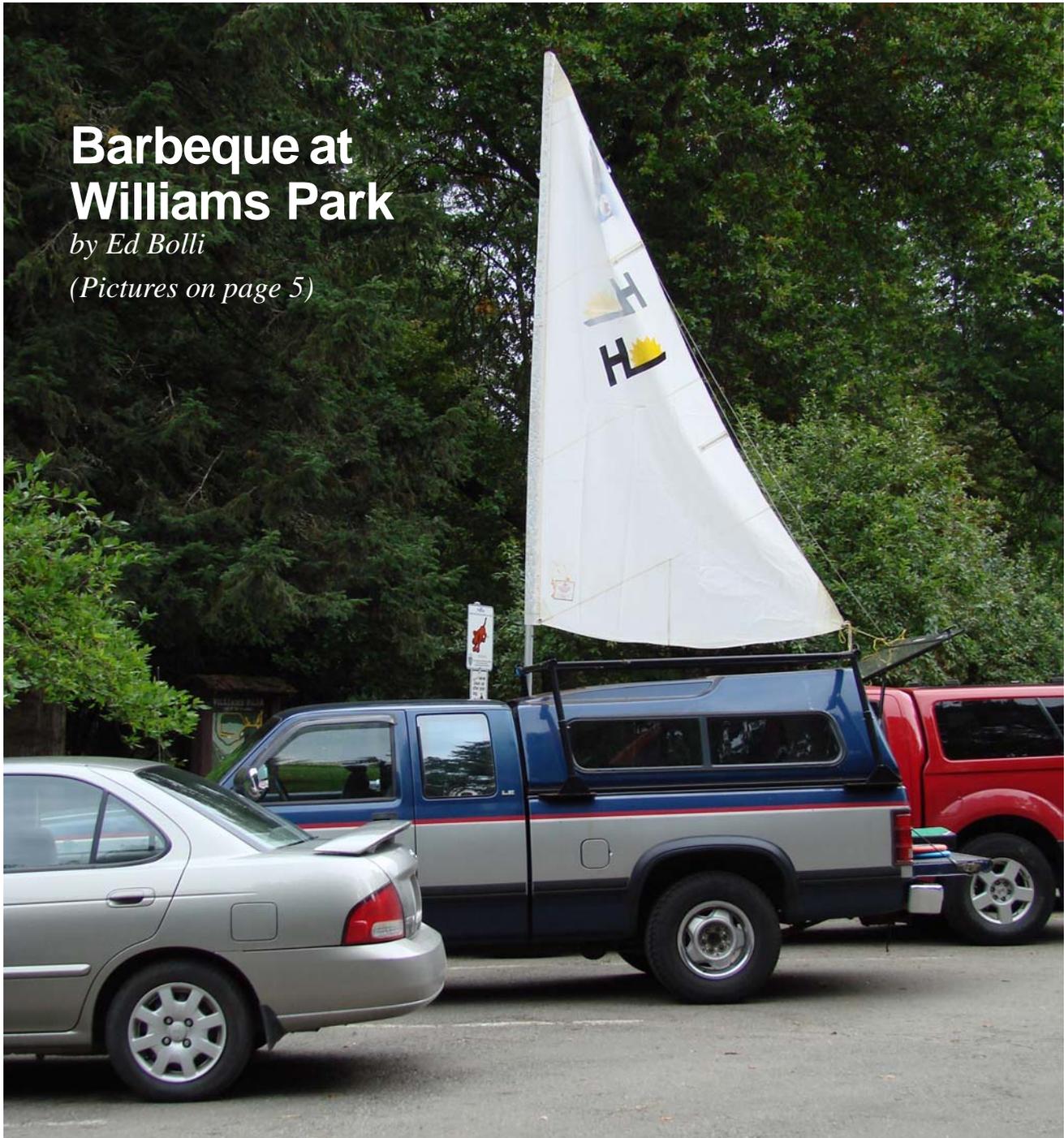
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## Barbeque at Williams Park

by Ed Bolli

*(Pictures on page 5)*



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## Commander

by Shane Fawkes



Considering how poorly the past year's boating season began weather-wise, it still ended up being a very enjoyable summer of boating. With our boat pulled out in October, I attended the National Conference and AGM over in Nanaimo. As it was my first conference, it was wonderful to get a chance to put some faces to names, and to talk with other Squadron Commanders or representatives from across the country. I'll talk a little more about that later.

Our joint Christmas Party –along with SurDel and Whiterock Squadrons– was well attended by

Langley members, and another successful event. It was nice to see some of our newer members out enjoying themselves.

It's hard to believe that we're almost halfway to the start of the coming boating season already; at least that's the glass half full way of seeing things. Although the Christmas season is kicking into full gear, your Bridge has been busying themselves with preparations for the coming season. As you peruse through this issue, why not note now, the date of things perking your interest and make a point of taking it in. Our STO has offered up some different courses this winter. Our Cruise Officers have added in a couple of interesting variations for this seasons itinerary.

So here we are in December already, and after being surprised by the snow and cold weather of a couple weeks ago, the mild weather this weekend was much appreciated as I finally got a chance to tarp the boat AND I got the Christmas lights up on the house this weekend! So even though the boat's out of the water till spring, we really can't complain too much about the weather around here.

I wish everyone the best of the Holiday Season; to share some time with friends and family. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Regards*

*Shane*

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## Training

by Jim Hornell

With winter here some of us have our boats tucked away and are thinking of warmer times. Others brave the cooler temperatures and continue to go boating. If your boat is outside, pay particular attention to how strong your canvas is as this year promises to give us a lot of snow. I speak from experience as the cover on our boat tore in half from a snow load. A few extra supports under the canvas might be in order, just in case.

Our ROC(m) class has finished with everyone passing. The boating class was a great success. Congratulations to all the students. January through March we are offering several courses in electronic navigating, including Radar and Electronic Charting. Of particular interest to some will be the Marine



*STO Jim Hornell*

Maintenance course starting in January. Having better knowledge of how your boat works can give you peace of mind when nobody else is around and there is a problem on board. Being able to do some of the maintenance work and not calling the repair guy can give you great satisfaction and save you a few dollars. After all, if the women don't find you handsome they should at least find you handy.

The winter months are a great time to take a course to help hone your boating skills. Radar can be an essential tool in these unpredictable West Coast waters. Having a radar is only beneficial when you understand what you are seeing on the screen so sign up for our Radar course and boat like a pro.

Cheers!

*Jim*

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# Happy Holidays

*All the members of the Bridge wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!*

*Shane Fawkes*

*Jim Henderson Lisa Fawkes*

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## CPS National Conference and AGM

by *Shane Fawkes*

Attending my first Nat'l conference, I was a little apprehensive going into the Friday morning S/C's meeting, having arrived after Thurs. night's 'rookie' orientation. There was a lot of good discussion regarding various issues; WBAS, concerns and ideas regarding membership, the \$\$\$ value of CPS membership and how quickly it can pay for itself through savings, the effect of the PCOC on CPS courses, different models of course delivery, upcoming changes to PCOC course

delivery & exam requirements, as well as the positive effect and impact of CPS in 'upping' the bar for minimum PCOC knowledge requirements that are now coming into effect. It's very clear that with today's electronic aids it's easier now than it has ever been to get out on the water. But it is also equally evident that when those systems fail, nobody does better at training and preparing boaters than CPS.

The Nat'l Training Dept. updated us on the status of textbooks and materials for all the CPS courses. With the PCOC exam being lengthened –the CPS version was already longer than the general PCOC exam– and the required knowledge points being increased (from 149 to 257 points), both the Boating Course and BoatPro manuals

have had to be revised. This has resulted in the newly re-written Boat & Maintenance manuals to be delayed until early 2011.

There was one financial vote as part of the AGM: the motion to remove the \$3.00 early bird discount for membership renewal was overwhelmingly passed. Although it may be an incentive to some, it was agreed that it was too costly and cumbersome to maintain.

It was quite enlightening to attend and get a peak into CPS operations at the National level. I came away from it with a greater insight into the organization as a whole, and found attending it very worthwhile.

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## From the Galley

*Joy Ruffeski*

### Scrumptious Apple Pie

The crust makes this pie extra good and quick

4-5 cups peeled, sliced apples  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
3/4 cup sugar  
1/4 cup butter  
Oatmeal pie crust with 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon added to ingredients

-- Oatmeal crust

2 cups quick-cooking oats  
1/3 cup packed brown sugar  
1/2 cup butter  
1/4 cup flour

Combine oats, butter, sugar, and flour and press firmly against bottom and sides of 9-inch pie plate.

If possible place an 8-inch pie plate on top of crumb mixture and press down.

Microwave on HIGH 2-3 minutes. Again press crust against pie plate to re-shape.

Allow to stand 5-10 minutes.

Very good with chocolate cream pie filling.

Place apples in a 2-quart bowl and sprinkle with lemon juice.

Cover tightly with plasticwrap and microwave on HIGH for 5-7 minutes.

Melt butter on HIGH 30 seconds and add sugar stirring to blend.

Cook 1 additional minute and add to apples, tossing to coat.

Cool slightly and pour in cooled pie crust.

Serve warm with whipped cream, ice cream or a slice of cheese.

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## Barbeque at Williams Park

by Ed Bolli



On October 5th our Squadron had a Barbeque at Williams Park. It was nice to see a terrific turnout. We had more than 40 people there. Bob Stone and Tony Lucia demonstrated their barbeque skills. The results were delicious, as Bob prepared the salmon with stuffing and wrapped it in foil. As usual the rest of the pot luck was excellent. I hope some people will share their recipes in our new column "From the Galley".



Of course, boating is never far from our minds as the Commander put a sail on his truck. (I wonder if he got better mileage??). Some of the little ones made (with their parent's help) some little boats and let them float down the river.

A pleasant surprize was that Bill and Fran Metcalf joined us at our get-together. A very enjoyable barbeque. Thanks for organizing it Bob and Candace!

*Ed Bolli*

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## Barbeque at Williams Park

*more pictures*



## How is your Nautical Terminology?

Match the terms correctly and win a free lunch at **Choo-Choo's!**

First one to email back correctly wins!

Send your answer to: **bolli@shaw.ca**

### Match the term with the definition

**Term:**

- A. Below
- B. Brass Monkey
- C. Bulwark
- D. Fall
- E. Overhead
- F. Staysail
- G. Strake
- H. Thwart
- I. Topsail
- J. Wear Ship

**Definition:**

1. A seat or crossbeam in a small boat
2. The Opposite of tack
3. The ceiling aboard ship
4. Each of a continuous line of planks running from bow to stern in the sides of a vessel
5. Below decks, as in "going below to F deck," never "Down"
6. A solid rail or wall extending the ships sides above the deck.
7. The second highest sail on a square-rigged ship
8. A small coastal trading vessel
9. The line on any tackle that is hauled.
10. A triangular sail hoisted between the headsail(s) and the foremost mast. A sail hoisted between masts in the case of a large ship

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# Langley Datum Data

## Web Update

*by Jay Chalkman*



**Greetings from the squadron's cyber cruising space. I would like to let everyone know that the squadron' web site is best viewed using Microsoft's Internet Explorer. It seems that the other browsers just don't display the information as well.**

**Also, if you have any interesting squadron pictures (old or new) pass them along, and I will try to post them on the site. In addition, send me your favourite cruising photos that you would like to share, and I will get them on the site as well.**

**Remember to check the squadron's site often for the latest news, updates, course information and cruising plans.**

**Jay**



# Langley Datum Data

## Langley Power & Sail Squadron Cruise schedule for 2011

**Contact:** Jeff & Leanne Adams **Phone:** C:604-644-3259 or H:604-881-2220 **E-mail:** leanne-jeff@shaw.ca

If you would like to attend, please contact us. The marinas are asking for two weeks notice. When you call let us know the following:

Name & # of Adults/kids	Telephone	E-mail Address	Boat Name	Overall Length	Date in/out

**Date:** April 15-17 (Friday to Sunday)

**Location:** Telegraph Harbour, Thetis Island

**T:** 250-246-9511 **VHF** 66A <http://www.telegraphharbour.com>

Thetis Island is a traditional start for the Langley Squadron. There are nice facilities and Chemanius is a quick ferry ride for a day trip. Saturday evening is a potluck dinner and a BBQ. There is a central barbeque, so bring your own meat to cook and something to share for the potluck.



**Date:** May 20-23 (Friday to Victoria Day - Monday)

**Location:** Port Browning, Pender Island

**T:** 250-629-3493 <http://www.portbrowning.com>

Last four years LPS have had a major crab feed with leftovers to take home. This year we hope to do the same so bring your traps, and bait. Saturday – Potluck dinner, Sunday Potluck Appetizer with Crab Feed. If weather permits we will have games on the field. Bellingham Squadron will join us again this year as a cooperative cruise.



**Date:** June 30 – July 3rd (Thursday - Sunday)

**Location:** Nanaimo Port Authority [http:// www.npa.ca](http://www.npa.ca) E: [marina@npa.ca](mailto:marina@npa.ca)

**T:** 250-754-5053 **VHF** 67

Canada Day celebrations. We will publish details closer to the time. Call the marina to book your space, and copy us on your reservation! **REMEMBER TO BOOK EARLY AS THIS WILL BE A BUSY SPOT - YOU CAN ALWAYS CANCEL. JUST CONFIRM WITH THE MARINA THEIR CANCELLATION POLICY**

**Date:** Aug. 26-28, 2011 (Friday to Monday)

**Location:** Port Browning, Pender Island

**T:** 250-629-3493 <http://www.portbrowning.com>

**Theme: Squadron Integrated Cruise**

Contact Bob Stone or Shane Fawkes – this is an Integrated Cruise.



**Contact Jeff & Leanne with your suggestions of more cruises in 2011, perhaps a favorite anchorage or marina. Interested in planning a cruise? - let us know we are looking for new ideas and need volunteers!**

New to boating? Call us and we will arrange a “buddy” for crossing the Strait and provide more details on the Langley Power Squadron Rendezvous. Finally the goal is to have fun with personal free time to enjoy the destination, and ample “social time” to share boating adventures. The club is very welcoming of first timers. We look forward to seeing you on the water!