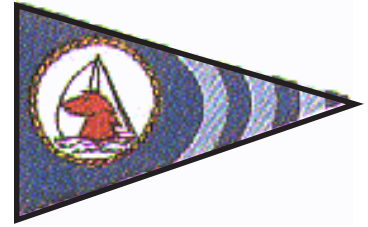


Langley Power & Sail Squadron

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## Winter in Maple Bay

*Picture by Jim Henderson*



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## 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 just as excited as I am to get out and start enjoying some time on the water. Our fall and spring boating classes were very well attended, as was the spring marine radio course. This would not have been possible without the strong commitment of our Squadron instructors, proctors, and members that come out and assist in the course. I would like to thank Dave Peebles, Ron Ruffeski, Shane Fawkes and Ron Yates for instructing a one day Marine Radio operators course January, there were twenty five students for this ten hour course.

Some other items the Squadron has been working on are:

- Looking into being a sister squadron with the USPS Bellingham
- Start instructing advanced courses again (see training report)
- Purchasing another multi media projector for the training department
- Joining with other squadrons on social activities

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 or just want to help out in classes and proctor please give me a call: **604 856-6771**

*Cdr Jim Henderson*

## CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS

### *Pacific Mainland District Conference*

*May 30th and 31st, 2008*

*at the Aston Pacific Inn Resort  
and Conference Center*

**1160 King George Hwy, White Rock, Surrey, BC**  
**For more Information and Registration Forms call:**  
**604 533-2922 or 604 596-6753**

## BRIDGE

### COMMANDER:

Jim Henderson ..... 856-6771

### EXECUTIVE OFFICER:

Bob Stone ..... 882-1048

### TRAINING OFFICER:

Mike Gervan ..... 534-3219

### SECRETARY:

Sheena Gervan ..... 534-3219

### TREASURER:

Rod Snazel ..... 888-4643

### PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER:

Jeff Adams ..... 881-2220

### COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER:

Darryl Day ..... 531-4664

### MEMBERSHIP OFFICER:

Sandie Henderson ..... 856-6771

### PUBLICATIONS OFFICER:

Ed Bolli ..... 534-8422

### ENVIRONMENT OFFICER:

Gordon Anderson ..... 530-7645

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

Marolyn Anderson ..... 530-7645

### SUPPLY OFFICER:

Warren Merkel ..... 855-5601

### CHIEF PROCTOR

Bob Turnbull ..... 533-6772

### CRUISEMASTER:

Candace Stone ..... 882-1048

### PROGRAMS

Ralph Larson ..... 576-3114

### TELEPHONE COMMITTEE:

Marolyn Anderson.. 530-7645

### HISTORIAN:

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### PAST COMMANDER

Terry Watling ..... 940-9291

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## Training

by Shane Fawkes



## Langley Power Squadron

Looking to upgrade your knowledge in electronic navigation? Want to know more about how to fully utilize that recently purchased unit? Maybe you're looking at making the plunge and adding new electronics to your boat but feel a need to know more about it before you commit? Langley Power Squadron is offering a pair of courses that will get you well prepared for this years boating season.

### Electronic Charting (Thursdays, Mar. 6, 13, & 27. 1900 -2200 hrs)

*Learn about the different kinds of EC, how they were developed, their advantages and disadvantages, how to use them in a practical manner. You learn about connecting your GPS to a laptop, desktop, PDA or tablet computer. There is information about the use of navigational programs for computers. You get practical knowledge about EC by utilizing a great program that is included on the accompanying CD. The CD has a variety of features and includes over 200 electronic charts and an EC program that displays and uses these charts. You can put your PC computer to work as a practical learning tool by running this program.*

**Recommended pre-requisite:** Boating Course



### RADAR for Pleasurecraft (Thursdays, April 3, 10, and 17. 1900 -2200 hrs)



*This course covers the different types of RADAR equipment, including their capabilities and limitations. Understand the available features and how they apply to your needs. Learn to navigate using RADAR, and to determine where you are. Course materials include the RADAR for Pleasurecraft text book, and a CD (PC only) containing a RADAR simulator so that you may practice many of RADAR's features.*

Courses are \$60 each for CPS members, \$70 for non-members, OR take BOTH courses for \$100/120 (member/non-member).

**Please pre-register by Feb. 7. Some Pre-reading required; materials need to be picked up 1 week prior to course. Please register by calling Joy Ruffeski at 604-533-2831**

## Upcoming events

- March 28**      **Bridge Meeting** at Brookwood Secondary School
- April 26**      **AGM and Change of Watch** at Sunrise Golf and Country Club  
5640 188th St., Surrey, 1900hrs
- May 30 and 31**      **PMD Conference 2008** at the Aston Pacific Inn Resort and Conference Center, 1160 King George Hwy, White Rock, Surrey

Visit our web site: [www3.telus.net/kilp/lpss/](http://www3.telus.net/kilp/lpss/)

## Membership

by Sandie Henderson

I am presently updating the Membership database. If you have any changes in your address, phone number, email address or boat name, could you please contact me with these changes at: [trincomalleeii@shaw.ca](mailto:trincomalleeii@shaw.ca) or phone me at 604-856-6771. This will ensure continued delivery of both PY and our Datam Data.

If you are not receiving your copy of Pacific Yachting please contact me. I wish you all a good summer, and see you on the water.

*Sandie Henderson*

We'd like to welcome the new members from our last course:

*Ken Backman  
Joe Coelho  
Fred Ensing  
Leo Ferraro  
Chris Gingell  
John Gingell  
Terry Johnson  
Donna Johnson  
John Landsman  
Vyara Lazazzera  
Ed Maas  
Bill O'Malley  
Donna Roach  
Rich Roberts  
Volker Ruecker  
Paul Sharpe  
Gerry Smith  
Dan Sundvick  
Jamie Wing  
Glenn Wood  
George Goddard  
James Lu*



## BOAT INSURANCE

*DO WE TRULY  
UNDERSTAND IT?*



Unfortunately, it was recently necessary for me to examine my boat insurance policy after a break in and a considerable number of items were stolen. During my initial look at the insurance policy, it indicated I had Hull insurance, coverage on the dingy/tender and motor and Personal Contents.

My first concern with the insurance policy was that all the items stolen had to be covered under the Personal Contents portion as the Hull coverage seemed to indicate a complete loss/damage to the hull itself. I contacted my insurance company and was advised of the following. The Hull Insurance covers anything

that is attached to the boat, such as radars, inverters, GPS units, etc., as well as life jackets, flare guns and any other items that are legally required to operate the vessel. The size of your boat will dictate what those items are. Items that are not covered are those that are not attached by screws/bolts, etc. such as depth sounders with the black screw knobs. The general rule is that one must require some type of instrument to remove it, and if it can be removed by hand, than it is not covered under this portion of the policy.

It was also brought to my attention that another area of concern with boat insurance is what is actually stated on your policy as being the Hull Insurance. Because of the impact of the Canadian dollar vs to US dollar, there has been a

negative impact on the value of boats. Should you have a major insurance claim on your boat, you could find the insurance company will not honor the value as stated on your insurance policy, but will pay out only the actual cash value of the boat as determined by them. It is critical you examine your insurance policy and ask the proper questions of the insurance broker to ensure you are not paying for an insurance value that you can never use..

I would recommend contacting your broker and determining an understanding of what is insured under certain portions of the policy, such as – What is covered under the Hull Insurance? What is not covered under the Hull Insurance? What is covered under the Personal Contents portions and what is not covered. Also ensure you will be paid the value of your boat as indicated on your insurance policy, not an adjusted value after the fact.

Another factor, is the simpler the insurance policy the better. The least amount of fine print attached to your policy, the better. The fine print, for the most part is there to protect the insurance company, not you.

I have also been advised you are better to remain with one broker and not be changing on a regular basis. Unlike ICBC who maintains a record of your claims, there is no central registry for boat claims. They are maintained at the agent level only.

The sole purpose of this article is to alert you to the potential pitfalls of boat insurance. It is recommended you contact your broker to ensure you know the answers to specific questions before you actually need to ask them.

*Bob Stone*

## 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 **Sunrise Golf and Country Club**, 5640 188th St., Surrey, **Saturday April 26th 2008 at 1900** 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 2008, and the report of the Squadron Financial Reviewer 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 following 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 29th of February 2008

2008 Squadron Secretary  
**Sheena Gervan**

## *LANGLEY POWER AND SAIL SQUADON*

### *Annual General Meeting and Change of Watch*

Saturday, April 26th 2008, 1830hrs  
at Sunrise Golf and Country Club  
5640 188th St., Surrey

Tickets at \$ 35.00 per person can be purchased from

Marolyn Anderson: 604 817-2245  
Bob Stone: 604 882-1048

They're also available at the Boating Class on Mondays

## LANGLEY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON NOMINATING REPORT, FEBRUARY 29th 2008

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

<b>Commander</b>	<b>Cdr Bob Stone</b>
<b>Executive Officer</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>
<b>Training Officer</b>	<b>Shane Fawkes</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Michele Merkel</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Rod Snazel</b>
<b>Public Relations Officer</b>	<b>Jeff Adams</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Candace Stone</b>
<b>Marep</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>

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):

<b>Publications Officer</b>	<b>Ed Bolli</b>
<b>Communications Officer</b>	<b>Darryl Day</b>

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

<b>Financial Reviewer</b>	<b>Doug Romilly</b>
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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:

<b>Supply Officer</b>	<b>Warren Merkel</b>
<b>Programs Officer</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>
<b>Socials Officer</b>	<b>Marolyn Anderson</b>
<b>Cruise Master</b>	<b>Jeff and Leanne Adams</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>Inge Snazel</b>
<b>Electronic Communication</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>
<b>Environment Officer</b>	<b>Gordon Anderson</b>
<b>School Liaison</b>	<b>Sue MacKenzie</b>
<b>Chief Proctor</b>	<b>Terry Brunner</b>
<b>Web Master</b>	<b>Brian Kilpatrick</b>
<b>Asst Training Boating</b>	<b>Bill Woodall</b>
<b>Asst Training VHF</b>	<b>Dave Peebles</b>
<b>Privacy Officer</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>

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:

<b>Past Commander</b>	<b>P/Cdr Jim Henderson</b>
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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

<b>Incoming Commander</b>	<b>Bob Stone</b>
<b>Immediate Past Commander</b>	<b>Jim Henderson</b>
<b>Past Commander</b>	<b>Terry Watling</b>

Respectfully submitted

**Bob Stone**  
**Jim Henderson**  
**Terry Watling**

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## Cruises for 2008

by *Leanne and Jeff Adams*

### 1)April 18-20 Telegraph Harbour

This is our first cruise of the year to blow the stink off of the boats. We will have a potluck dinner and a BBQ. Please bring your own BBQ items and something for the potluck.

### 2)May 16-24 Port Browning

Last year we had a major crab feed with leftovers to take home we hope to do the same again so bring your traps. We will also be doing an appetizer get together for one of the days. If weather permits we may have a bocce ball tourney.

### 3)June 20-22 Ganges

Merry Christmas in the New Year. Boat decorating contest with impartial judges ( Last year almost every boat was decorated lets shoot for all of them this year). Prizes for 1st and 2nd place. We will supply a Christmas Turkey on Saturday evening, including dressing and gravy, at no cost to you. All we ask is that you attend and supply your favourite Christmas dish. This is a great cruise location Ganges has a wonderful outdoor market where jams,jellies etc can be purchased. For those that have not been there is a excellent array of shops including grocery and liquor store within walking distance.

### 4)Aug 15-17 Otter Bay

This will be one to be remembered with the past commodores putting on a pancake breakfast. We would also like to have a wine and cheese on the afternoon of the 16th cheese to be supplied by the squadron BYOW. We would also like to hear from any golfers or wine tourists as we could do a golf tourney and wine tasting at the local winery.

Please respond to [leanne-jeff@shaw.ca](mailto:leanne-jeff@shaw.ca) if you would like to attend any of the cruises. We would also like to no how much interest there is for a cruise onthe Vancouver side of the straight.

Hope to see you on some or all our cruises

*Leanne and Jeff*



*Watch out for that junk in the water!*