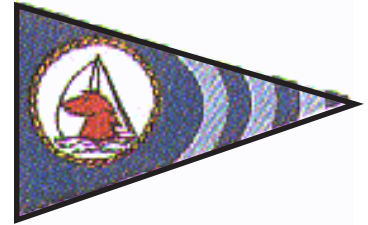


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*PCDR Jim Henderson*

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## Commander

by Bob Stone



First, I would like to wish all of you nothing but the best for the New Year and would like to welcome those new members who recently joined the Squadron as a result of the fall Boating Course.

The boating season is nearing and it will be very welcomed after the winter we endured in the Lower Mainland, particularly the snowy, cold weather. I feel you must look at the positives of the winter – such as a white Christmas, less rain and more sunshine.

This past winter has been very productive for the Langley Power and Sail Squadron. Our own Jim Henderson won the volunteer instructor of the year award and Dave Peebles is completing

his first year at the Commander for the Pacific Mainland District (PMD). On behalf of all members of the Squadron, I would like to congratulate both members on their accomplishments.

We have had a successful winter in the areas of socials. The annual Christmas party was again held with SurDel and White Rock Squadrons for the second year and we will be doing the same in 2009. Our graduation in January was successful with the introduction of a guest speaker; the Pub Night at Jimmy Mac's was attended by thirty six members and the Wine and Cheese Tasting in early February was well attended. We are planning a Pot Luck at the end of March that will serve as the Annual General Meeting and the Change of Watch.

I have enjoyed my first year as Commander and look forward to another year. I also look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the beautiful waters this coming summer.

### Internet

We are trying to compile a list of e-mail addresses for members of the Squadron. This is an easy way to communicate with you and would allow us to ensure you are contacted on all functions. We would also like to start sending the Datum Data via e-mail to cut down on costs to the Squadron.

I am asking that you send me your e-mail address at [bbbandkc@telus.net](mailto:bbbandkc@telus.net). Thank you for your co-operation.

*Cdr Bob Stone*

## BRIDGE

**COMMANDER:**  
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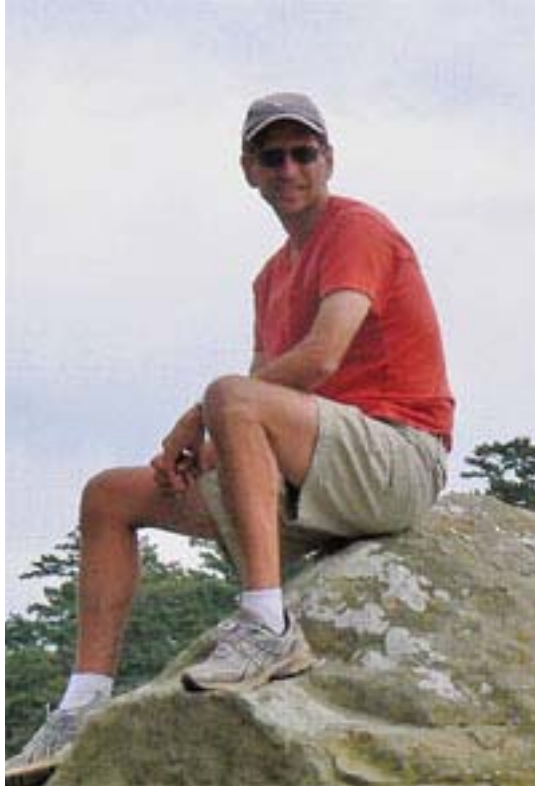
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## Training

by *Shane Fawkes*



The Winter 09 series of courses are well underway; all 9 students that took BoatPro completed and passed last week. 17 students are midway through the Boating course, while 13 students will be wrapping up their VHF course right about the time you're reading this. As usual, thank you to all the instructors, proctors, and registrars –these courses cannot happen without your involvement. For everyone, remember getting involved is as simple as dropping by on a Monday night.

While the Winter series of courses is winding down, preparation for next year will begin shortly. In addition to our regular offerings (Boating, BoatPro, VHF), we also plan to offer Electronic Charting & RADAR again (unfortunately, not enough signed up for this past season). If there is a particular course that you would be interested in taking, drop me an email at [sfawkes@shaw.ca](mailto:sfawkes@shaw.ca). As long as there is interest shown, we'll see about offering additional courses. Once we decide on offerings & schedules, we'll place these on the website.

Our squadron has just received its own MMSI number (**031600044**), so take out that radio manual walk through how to program in a Group ID number, as well as a Group Calling number, into that DSC radio. With group calling, all LPS vessels within range that have programmed that group number into their radio can be hailed simultaneously via DSC (note: check to make sure your radio features Group ID and Group Calling –not all radios do). So when trying to raise *somebody* as you make your way into that next rendezvous.....

Did you know that CPS also has a Group ID number? (**031600018**).

Finally, as the last of the snow is FINALLY melting from the lawn and everyone's minds begin to turn to the boating season ahead, I hope you all have a safe & memory-filled season of boating, and I look forward to sharing stories with everyone.

Happy Boating,  
*Shane Fawkes*

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## Graduation

by *Shane Fawkes*

Many squadron members and graduating students of the Fall 08 Boating course, shared an enjoyable evening January 14 to recognize the accomplishments and to welcome the grads as new members to the Langley Power Squadron. With the first year of CPS membership now included for successful grads, we hope you continue to become involved with the Squadron; joining in on Cruises & social activities, taking additional courses, or coming out to help mark/proctor for Monday night courses (a great way to re-inforce your recently acquired skills).

Cdr Stone also arranged for Captain Allan Domaas, past CEO of Vancouver Port Authority to come out that evening, and he gave an informative presentation of activities & dynamics of life on, and around, the waters of the VPA. It was also great to see some longer standing members out whom I hadn't met before, coming out to this event. Remember, members are always welcome.

The guest speaker was a nice addition that we would like to try to continue, so if you have any suggestions for interesting speakers to invite to other events, please feel free to forward them to Bob or myself.

So congratulations & welcome to the following new members:

*Ed Anderlini, Ian Blandford, Richard Dare, Karren Denos, Amanda Gibb, Frank Hunter, Albert & Rosalina Khavkin, Ryan Lee, Len Murphy, Dennis & Leona Sabbadin, Francis & Pat Sauve, Drew Steeves, Larry Tomoffee, B.J. Voth, Annemieke Vrijmoed, Peter & Vickie Wiebe.*

## Upcoming events

- March 11**      **Bridge Meeting** at Brookwood Secondary School
- March 28**      **AGM and Change of Watch** at the Masonic Hall, 20701 Fraser Hwy, Langley, BC, at 1800.
- April 15**      **Bridge Meeting** at Brookwood Secondary School

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

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## Instructor of the Year

by *Bob Stone*

During the last National Canadian Power and Sail Squadron meeting held during the fall at Windsor, Ontario, one of our own – Past Commander Jim Henderson was awarded the “G. William Bowman Volunteer Instructor of the Year Award”. This Award is presented for Western Canada. There were only three of these awards presented Canada wide.

This should be celebrated as a great achievement for one of our own who

gives of his time for the Power Squadron in order to ensure boating safety. Jim has served in all capacities on the Bridge and continues to give his time instructing for the Langley Power and Sail Squadron.

Congratulations Jim on this achievement and on behalf of all members of the Langley Power and Sail Squadron, thank you for your efforts with this Squadron.

*Bridge, Langley Power and Sail Squadron*

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## Oops!

Well, for the first time in our lives, again, Dave and I have made a mistake. When Bob so nicely called to invite us to the Power Squadron Christmas party, we were ecstatic. Neither of our companies were hosting a party for 2008, so we were looking forward to getting dressed up and doing a little partying! We ran into Jim & Pam at Canadian Tire a couple of weeks before the date and we were talking about what we were going to wear, etc...

Well, along comes Saturday, November 29th, and off we go! All

doodled up and smellin' pretty! Imagine our chagrin when we arrived at the golf club and were told, “ The Power Squadron’s Christmas party was LAST NIGHT!” How embarrassing... we had a drink at Sunrise, then toddled off to Coza for dinner. Lovely dinner - even if we were slightly over-dressed.

I am so sorry, all! I just know we missed a fantastic time. See you all in boating season! And for the Christmas party this year??

*Leona and Dave*

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## Wine tasting

by Leanne Adams



Friday February 13th proved to be a lucky evening for 12 Langley Power Squadron members who attended The Well Seasoned Wine Guy - John Gerum's "Value Wines of the World" Event. Learning how to find those value wines was the focus of the event and tips like; attend as many tasting events as you can and if you find a value wine, buy by the case - made at least one Power Squadron member very

happy that he has some professional support.

A sample plate of cheese, meats, olives, fruit and chocolate made sipping some wonderful wines more fun.

Overall the evening was educational, and Langley Power Squadron proved to be a good time on and off the water.

Cheers,

*Leanne Adams*



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### AGM and Change of Watch

The Annual General Meeting and Change of Watch will be held differently this year. The economic climate is also affecting the Squadron and the Bridge members feel that a different approach must be taken and tried this year.

On March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the **Masonic Hall, 20701 Fraser Hwy** in Langley, the Squadron will be holding a "PotLuck Supper" and this function will also serve as the venue for the Annual general Meeting and Change of Watch. Plates, forks and knives will be supplied as well as music. Refreshments will be your responsibility.

I am asking that you contact me at [bbbandkc@telus.net](mailto:bbbandkc@telus.net) in order that we can keep track of the numbers who will be attending. We will not be providing any direction on what to bring as we always end up with a large number of enjoyable dishes and usually too much to eat at the end of the evening.

It is our intention to eat first, and then hold the AGM/Change of Watch.

I look forward to seeing you there.

*Bob Stone*

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### Pub Night

The Squadron held its annual Pub Night at Jimmy Mac's Pub in Langley at the end of January. To say it was a success, would be an understatement. This event was attended by thirty six members. What was enjoyed the most was the fact that it was attended by a

number of new faces to such events with the Squadron. I want to personally thank them for their attendance and look forward to seeing them and other new faces at other functions in the future.

*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 the **Masonic Hall**, 20701 Fraser Hwy, Langley, BC, at **1800** 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 2009, 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 28th of February 2009

2008/09 Squadron Secretary  
**Michele Merkel**

## LANGLEY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON NOMINATING REPORT, FEBRUARY 28th 2009

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>Shane Fawkes</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>Pam Davies</b>
<b>Cruise Master</b>	<b>Jeff and Leanne Adams</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>Terry Watling</b>
<b>Electronic Communication</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>
<b>Environment Officer</b>	<b>Position to be filled</b>
<b>School Liaison</b>	<b>Position to be filled</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 2008/2009 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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## Langley Power & Sail Squadron Cruise schedule for 2009

**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 as we have selected busier weekends to rendezvous. When you call let us know the following:

Name & # of Adults/kids	Telephone	E-mail Address	Boat Name	Length	Date in/out
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**Date:** April 9-12 (Thursday to Sunday) Easter

**Location:** Telegraph Harbour, Thetis Island

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

Celebrate Easter Langley Power Squadron Style, tradition is a potluck dinner and a BBQ. Bring your own BBQ items and something for the potluck. New this year is an Easter Egg Hunt.

**Date:** May 15-18 (Friday to Victoria Day - Monday)

**Location:** Port Browning, Pender Island

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

Last two years we had a major crab feed with leftovers to take home. This year we hope to do the same so bring your traps, and bait. We will also be doing a potluck appetizer and get together on the docks. If weather permits we will have games on the field.

**Date:** June 26- 28 (Friday to Sunday)

**Location:** Ganges, Salt Spring Island

**T:** 250-537-5242 **VHF** 66 <http://www.ganges-marina.com/gangesmarina>

**Theme:** Merry Christmas in June??

Decorate your boat for Christmas (and maybe win a prize). The squadron will supply a Christmas Turkey on Saturday evening, including dressing and gravy, at no cost to you. All we ask is that you supply your favourite Christmas dish. This is a great cruise location - Ganges has a wonderful outdoor market.

**Date:** July 17-19 (Friday to Sunday)

**Location:** Union Steamship Marina, Bowen Island

**T:** 604-947-0707 **VHF** <http://www.ussc.ca>

**Theme:** To be announced, watch the website for updates at <http://www3.telus.net>

**Note:** you must contact the marina at least 2 weeks in advance and book your space on your credit card. Let them know that you are with the Langley Power Squadron. Also let us know so we can confirm who is attending. Also cottages are available for rent, call 604-947-0707 and inquire. Space books quickly so reserve today.

**Date:** Aug 14-16 (Friday to Sunday)

**Location:** Otter Bay

**T:** 250-629-3579 **VHF** 68 <http://www.otterbaymarina.ca>

A cruise to be remembered as the past commodores will be putting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual pancake breakfast. Wine and cheese on the afternoon of the 15<sup>th</sup> - cheese to be supplied by the squadron BYOW (bring your own wine).

**Date:** September – Dates to be confirmed

**Location:** at anchor.

New to boating? Call us and we will arrange a “buddy” for crossing the Straight 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!

Updates on the website at <http://www3.telus.net>