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COMMANDER'S REPORT



Fellow Squadron member:

This quote from William Arthur Ward, which I referenced in my Spring 2015 Anchorline message, still rings true: The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails. During my three years as Commander of White Rock Squadron, I did just that...adjusted and readjusted the sails as required.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make 2016/17 a most successful squadron year.

I wish to give special recognition to my fellow Squadron Executive members: Harald Hanssen, Greg Watkin, Andrew Pothier, John Naylor, Lawrence Parkin, Barry Baniulis, Larisa Hanssen, Sue Cowen, Tom Foxall, Wally Kiss, and Dina Collmann. Thank you to the Educational Team, led by Harald Hanssen, which included Tom Foxall, Brian McMurdo, Andrew Pothier, Phil Kowalski, Gerard Ponsford, and David Scheifele. One highlight last year was the merging in of SurDel Squadron members. The turnout at our SurDel Welcome Pot Luck event at Christmastime was fantastic. We held several well-attended Social Education Events which included presenter Tony Merry (Pender Island Squadron) in December and presenter Captain Kevin Vail (President of the BC Coast Pilots Assn) in January.

The new Squadron year begins on April 20. In recent weeks, several members have come forward, in response to our call for volunteers, offering their time and talent, and will be joining your Squadron Executive at the upcoming AGM on Thursday, April 20, 1900 hours, Elks Hall, White Rock. There are still open positions and I welcome you to contact me, Andrew, or Harald if you are interested in a position on the Executive, Educational Team or helping out at social/educational events. Remember to stay plugged in to Squadron events on the Website, Facebook and Twitter.

On May 13, WR Squadron will participate in a collaborative event with Bellingham Squadron, USPS, called SeaSkills Marine Expo, to be held at the Blaine Marina. It will be an exciting day, filled with seminars, exhibits, and various on-the-water training opportunities. The US Coast Guard and local fire department will be there. You will have the opportunity to learn more about the use of distress flares and even have the chance to discharge a flare. CPS-ECP will conduct Recreational Vessel Courtesy Checks. We will have the Virtual Boating Skills Trainer there, so you can try your hand at docking, undocking, navigation and all things virtual. There will be food kiosks and maritime vendors. You will receive more information via email in the coming weeks. Mark this date on your calendar and see you there!!

Our focus continues to be the delivery of high-quality training for mariners and prospective mariners alike...and nurturing an environment that promotes social interaction and supports recreational boating. This boating season, stay safe in, on and around the water and help make this the best year ever!

Respectfully,
Commander Saacha Vantylor



EDUCATIONAL OFFICER'S REPORT



We are now close to completing another successful semester of courses. And, boating season is quickly approaching. We hope that our many students now feel a little better prepared for boating this summer as they have graduated from our classes in VHF Marine Radio, Boating Basics for their PCOC Card, Boating 2 Beyond the PCOC, Boating 3 Introduction to Marine Navigation and Boating 4 Near Shore Navigation (Seamanship) course.

I know that I speak for all of us in the Educational Department when I say that it has once more been a pleasure to present to and to help our students through all our courses.

I wish to thank all our volunteer members, both on our Bridge and in our Educational Department who have helped make this last year another success. In particular, I wish to thank three retiring Executive (Bridge) members Commander Saacha, Treasurer Greg and Supplies Officer Lawrence for their unwavering support and hard work over the years.

We wish you all a great boating season and we hope to see many of you on our Cruises this summer. Joining us on our Squadron cruises is a great way to gain practical experiences for those who are new to boating.

Please encourage family members and friends who wish to do some boating to take a safe boating course this Fall Session or in our Winter Session. It could make a big difference.

Harald

Educational Officer, White Rock Power and Sail Squadron

White Rock Squadron Executive meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except in June and July)

**at
Earl Marriott Secondary School,
South Surrey.
Meetings start at 7:00PM**

Everyone is welcome!

Coffee and Cookies

~ A WR Squadron Tradition~



Remember how much you enjoyed a cookie or two, sipping a hot cup of coffee and chatting with other students during your boating class?

Volunteers are needed at Earl Marriot School to make coffee for our students.

Please call us at 604-515-5566 for more details on how you can be involved in this great WR Squadron tradition.

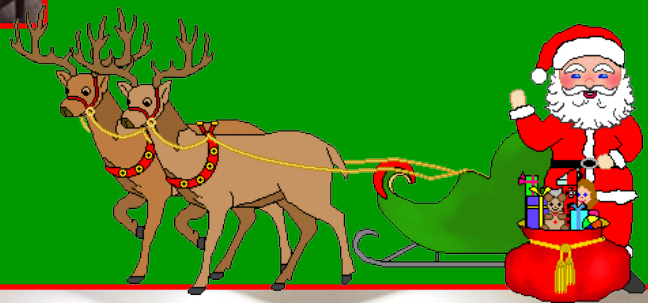


White Rock Squadron Christmas Potluck



On December 15, 2016, we hosted a potluck dinner to celebrate the holiday season. It was also a great opportunity to officially welcome the members of SurDel Squadron to the White Rock Squadron.

What a great night!



LET'S PLAY SOME GAMES...

WHERE'S THAT?



Answer can be found on [page 8](#)

WHERE'S THAT?!?

**This is Sir Eustace Hornswoggle.
Where would you find him?**

Answer can be found on [page 7](#)



White Rock Squadron Great Canadian Shoreline Clean-up

April 22, 2017
10 am - 2 pm
Crescent Beach



We will meet at the edge of the beach on the walkway where Beecher road ends.

We will have a large green umbrella and loads of cleanup supplies stacked up. Our team will carry the distinctive orange Home Depot buckets and garbage grabbers.....Snacks will be provided!

This Clean-up is open to all squadron members, family, friends, our sponsors and people we encounter at the location who want to join in.



Questions??

Contact Sue, Environmental Officer
604 441 5393

I hope you will be able to join us

"We go unless it is a gale"

Out on the WATER



BLUE SKIES GREET EASTER CRUISERS

Members of the White Rock Power and Sail Squadron were met with blue skies and warm temperatures as they gathered at Port Browning marina to celebrate Easter 2017.

Freedom Too left its home port of Semiahmoo Marina at 5 pm Thursday and reported smooth seas arriving at Port Browning at 630 pm joining up with Smoochee Two

Great to see boating friends after a long hard winter

On Good Friday Old News arrived early afternoon reporting lumpy seas down the Strait.

A nice relaxing day with happy hour hosted by Smoochee

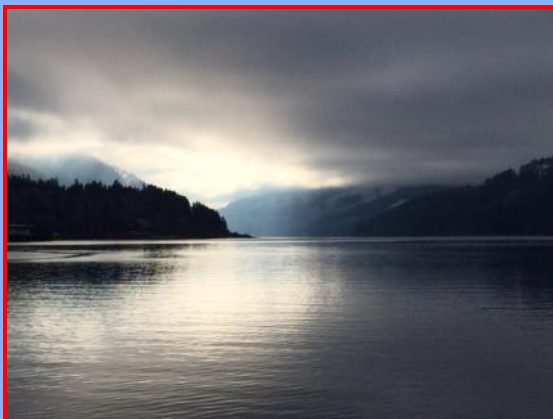
Saturday was another blue sky day – crab and prawn traps were dropped by Old News with keepers being caught

All had a group dinner out at the renovated Port Browning pub the marina was still on winter rates with \$25 per night including power

A nice boating bonus

Freedom too returned home on Sunday on benign seas

Barry Baniulis
Cruisemaster



~ ANSWER ~

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Port Alberni

Location: 49°14'2"N 124°48'18"W

Port Alberni is located on Vancouver Island and has a population of 17,743. Port Alberni is a deep port city within the Alberni Valley at the head of the Alberni Inlet (which is Vancouver Island's longest inlet).

Summer 2017 Cruising Schedule

Victoria Day	May 20-21	Telegraph Harbour Marina
Canada Day	July 1-2	Ganges Marina
Labour Day	Sept 2-3	Ladysmith Maritime

As the cold weather starts to set in, it's time to start daydreaming and planning for the 2017 summer cruising season. Cruise master Barry has planned several great WR Squadron Cruises for the upcoming summer. Join us for fun, fellowship, happy hours, potlucks, dingy explorations, and crib tournaments. Please make your reservations with the marinas directly and advise them that you are with White Rock Squadron. Then contact [Cruise master Barry](#) to let him know you are coming.



~ **ANSWER** ~
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Port Harvey

Location: 50°33'00"N 126°16'00"W

Port Harvey is a port on East Cracroft Island in the Johnstone Strait region. On its east shore is the Keecekiltum Indian Reserve which is under the authority of the Tlowitsis Nation of the Kwakwaka'wakw peoples.

To learn more, visit the local marina's facebook page:
www.facebook.com/portharveymarine/

Canada 150

Did you know that Canada is celebrating 150 years since confederation?

To celebrate this milestone, Parks Canada is offering free admission to their national parks including national marine conservation areas

DID YOU KNOW!?

Canada has over 243,000 km of coastline along three oceans and another 9500 km along the Great Lakes!

Canada has the longest coastline in the world!

Take this opportunity to explore a few new places in Canada.

Visit their website for more details:
<https://www.pc.gc.ca/en/amnc-nmca/plan>





WHITE ROCK SQUADRON
A UNIT OF
CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS



To: Members of White Rock Power and Sail Squadron

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting of White Rock Power and Sail Squadron will be held at 1900 hours, Thursday, 20 April 2017, at White Rock Elks #431 Hall, George Street Lounge (Upstairs), 1469 George Street, White Rock, B.C. for the purposes 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 twelve-month period ending 31 March 2017, and the Report of the Squadron Financial Review Committee thereon;
- c) electing the Officers of the Squadron;
- d) appointing the Chairperson of the Squadron Financial Review Committee;
- e) considering such further and other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The Report of the Squadron Nominating Committee is attached to, and forms part of, this Notice. Under Board Regulation 12.3.5, any further nominations must be made by way of a petition, in writing, signed by not less than five (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 two (2) days prior to the date of this meeting.

Dated this 1st day of April, 2017.



Saacha Vantylor
Commander/Secretary
White Rock Power & Sail Squadron



2017 PMD AGM & COW

**Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons Pacific Mainland District
Annual General Meeting and Change of Watch**
Chair: Lynda Bennett-Retei, Phone: 604.469.8946
lbennett4277@gmail.com

Friday May 26 – Saturday May 27, 2017

Hotel: Executive Inn, 405 North Road, Coquitlam, BC V3K 3V9 ph 604.936-9399 or 1.888.433.3932 (toll free)
PMD Discount rate of \$140/night (guaranteed to April 26th); ID #19147. Email reservationsc@executivehotels.net

Events: Friday night: (Casual dress)	1800-1900 1800-2200	Registration (upstairs) Reception in Cypress Room. Cash bar and snacks
Saturday: (Casual dress or Blues and Grays/Whites)	0800-0900 0800-0900 0900-1145 1145-1215 1215-1400 1400-1415 1415-1545	Registration (upstairs) Sponsored continental breakfast Annual General Meeting Cash bar Lunch and Awards Cash bar Speaker, door prizes
Saturday Evening*: (Smart Casual)	1715-1800 1800-2345	Incoming District Commander's Reception (cash bar) Dinner, Change of Watch, Silent Auction, Dancing.

***Free Parking on Friday and Saturday for attendees. Register license plate number at PMD Registration Desk.**

Registration and Payment: Payment before May 10, 2017 you get a discount price for the total shown below.
After May 10th, \$20 additional total for lunch and dinner.

- 1) Registration and payment on-line.** Use the PMD conference link to the CPS National website at
All Events: <https://www.cps-ecp.ca/members/members.asp?WCE=C=56|K=244079|CAL=225480>
All Day Saturday: <https://www.cps-ecp.ca/members/members.asp?WCE=C=56|K=244110|CAL=225480>
Saturday Dinner only: <https://www.cps-ecp.ca/members/members.asp?WCE=C=56|K=244109|CAL=225480>
Saturday Lunch only: <https://www.cps-ecp.ca/members/members.asp?WCE=C=56|K=244108|CAL=225480>
Friday only: <https://www.cps-ecp.ca/members/members.asp?WCE=C=56|K=244107|CAL=225480>

You must be logged into the CPS web site for this link to take you to the registration site.

- 2) Payment by cheque.** Complete below and mail with cheque payable to PMD Conference and mail to Glen Blake, 33-323 Governors Crt., New Westminster BC V3L 5S6, email balaena@telus.net

- 3) Payment in person.** Complete the form below and pay with cash or cheque.

Name	Squadron	Fri PM \$20	Sat Lunch \$35	Sat Eve \$65	Total (all 3 for \$100; save \$20)
Total:					

Name _____ E-mail _____ Phone _____

Address _____
No. Street / Apt. _____ City _____ Prov. _____ Code _____



SeaSkills Marine Expo... Blaine Marina



United States Power Squadrons & Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons

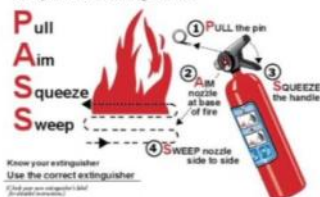
Present ...

A Day of Fun & Learning at the Blaine Marina

Saturday, May 13...

Gate 2 Parking Lot...10 am–5 pm

To operate an extinguisher:



Know your extinguisher
Use the correct extinguisher

**Boating Skills Classes
Marine/Vendor/Arts & Crafts Booths
Kids' Activities
Food Trucks
Free Vessel Safety Checks
Arts and Crafts...and more!**



Morning: 10 am, Marine Distress Flare & Fire Extinguisher Training
Location: Blaine Marine Park...west of the Water Treatment Plant

Afternoon: 1 pm–5 pm **One-Hour Seminars**

Dockside: Boat Maintenance, Paddle Sport Demos, Anchoring, How-to-Buy-a-Boat, Boat Solar Panels, Marina Maneuvers & Docking... and more!

Harbor Conference Room: Boat Handling...Virtual Trainer (Boat Simulator), Meeting Space, Classroom Activities...

For More Information: www.boatingisfun.org and/or 360-332-6484



Sponsors...

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Community Boating Center



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