



December 2008

# THE ANCHORLINE

White Rock Power and Sail Squadron, White Rock, BC

## Report from your Commander



This fall has been an active one for the squadron. We have had a very successful training session; we have completed Boat-Pro, Boating, Advanced Piloting, Weather, Marine Radio, Navigating with GPS and Radar. Training Officer Cliff has an equally exciting slate of courses scheduled for our Winter/Spring session. So have a look at the schedule elsewhere in this issue to see if there is a course that can add to your safety and enjoyment on the water.

I attended the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron's annual meeting and conference in October. I am pleased to report that I see further progress in improving, and adapting our organization. The new Boating course, with a new plotter, and Seamanship (it used to be called Piloting) have been launched and we will be teaching both of these courses in our next session.

The new CPS web-based administration system is up and running. Changes have been installed and new ones are planned to help us serve our members and students better, and at the same time reduce the paperwork our volunteers are faced with. For those of you who are new to our Squadron as well as those who have not used our system, I would particularly like to draw your attention to YOUR member's profile. You may access it through the CPS national website at [www.cps-ecp.org](http://www.cps-ecp.org). You can update YOUR profile yourself; change your address, your e-mail address, etc. If you have a new DSC Marine radio and have received a MMSI number, we encourage you to enter it in your profile.

Our annual Christmas party was held again with both the Langley & Sur-Del squadrons. We had a total of 124 people in attendance. The food, music, and door prizes were all first class, but as our past commander put it last year, what really makes a good party a great party are the people! Fun was had by all and I look forward to seeing more of you members out next year.

Our next Bridge meeting is on Thursday, January 8th. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the ABC Restaurant on King George Hwy. Our meetings start at 1900 and of course all members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

With the holiday season fast approaching; Anne and I wish you and yours a very merry Christmas, and a Happy Holiday Season. We trust the New Year will bring you health, happiness, fair winds and smooth sailing.

Rick Hepting  
Commander

 **Merry Christmas!!!** 



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### Is your CPS Profile Correct? Make sure it is to keep receiving Pacific Yachting!

Starting with the next issue of the Pacific Yachting Magazine we will be using the address in your profile stored on the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron Web-based information system.

You can check your profile by logging onto the system at [www.cps-ecp.ca](http://www.cps-ecp.ca). If this information is outdated or incorrect it is possible that future CPS mailings including Pacific Yachting and Canadian Yachting may be misdirected.

The profile information will also be used for the compilation of this year's Roster. There is provision in your profile to list your boat name and MMSI number, so if you wish these to be listed in the Roster please ensure they are included in your profile. Should you not wish to have your name listed in the Roster, there is a box you can check off in your profile to ensure you will not be listed.

By using the information in your profile, rather than lists maintained manually by each Squadron's Membership Officer, we can eliminate a great deal of work that had to be done by our volunteers. We expect the new process will better serve our members by ensuring all of our mailings are correctly addressed, and members can now change their address or other information quickly and conveniently through the CPS website. As with any substantive change, there may be problems. If you have difficulty checking your profile on the CPS website, if you do not have access to the internet, or you believe our magazines or other mailings are not reaching you please contact us at 604 515-5566, email [info@whiterocksquadron.org](mailto:info@whiterocksquadron.org), or contact our Membership Officer, John Naylor.

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## From our members...

An e-mailed travel log sent from one of our squadron member's son on December 11th this week:

"We cruised the Panama Canal yesterday. We approached from the North side, and around 6:00am we could start seeing the cargo ships that were anchored. Ships will have appointments to go through, but sometimes they miss them, or arrive early, and wait in line for an open spot. Yesterday when we went through, there were 42 ships total that were scheduled to traverse the canal that day. Our ship cost about \$170K in fees to traverse. The NCL Pearl that we were on for our Alaska cruise costs over \$300K. About 9:30am we reached the 1st set of locks of a three stage climb up to Gatun Lake. We took on a pilot early on, and a narrator that described the process the whole way. There was quite a bit of activity in the canal as they are busy widening it to allow for 2 large ships to pass through some areas at the same time. We reached the middle set of locks in the afternoon, and then the final set at about 5pm. In the distance we could make out Panama City."

"In the picture, I believe the ship in front of us is the Serenity. This picture was taken from the 1st locks around 0930 EST, I think."

"There are cameras at different points through the 8 hour trip. Go to [www.pancanal.com](http://www.pancanal.com) and click on webcam."





## From our Christmas party...





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### The Pacific Mainland District Men's Choir performing.

Mercifully, someone shut off the sound system and yelled "Fellows... don't give up your day jobs!"

To view Christmas pictures in full size go to:

<http://www.whiterocksquadron.org/photogallery.htm>

Photos by Gerry Durant  
Squadron Historian

## Some dates to remember...

**Fall Graduation Ceremony: January 26, 2009**

**Beecher Place**

**1900 Hrs**

**12160 Beecher Street, Surrey, B.C.**

**Starting Spring Courses**

**Jan. 13, 2009**

**Earl Marriott Secondary**

**Seattle Boat Show**

**Jan. 23, Feb 1, 2009**

**Qwest Field and Lake Union**

**Vancouver Boat Show**

**February 4 - 8, 2009**

**BC Place and False Creek Marina**

# 2009 Cruise Schedule



Please select cruises from the list below and contact Barry at:

**Barry Baniulis**  
**214-15150-29A Avenue**  
**Surrey, BC V4P 1H1**  
**604-542-0519**  
**Email:irishromy@shaw.ca**



Join us for fun and fellowship happy hours, potlucks, dinghy explorations, crib tournaments.....  
 Marina moorage is becoming very tight in the summer months. Your immediate attention is requested.

Easter	Port Sidney	April 10 - 11	250-655-3711
Victoria Day	Otter Bay	May 16 - 17	250-629-3579
Canada Day	Ganges	June 30 - July 1	250-537-5242
Long Cruise	Desolation	August 1 - 16	
Labour Day	Genoa Bay	September 5 - 6	800-572-6481

Mark these on your calendar . Please make reservations directly with the marina to secure berth. Indicate you are with the White Rock Power and Sail Squadron.

**Reservations at these marinas may also be made by VHF radio on channel 66A.**

## Racing News

**Derek Hatfield and Spirit of Canada still going strong...**

**Vendee Globe** ranking - 04:00hrs GMT. Sunday 14 Dec 2008 (FRA unless stated)

1. Jean-Pierre Dick (Paprec-Virbac 2) at 14500 miles
2. Mike Golding GBR (Ecover) at + 72.8 miles
3. Roland Jourdain (Veolia Environnement) at 92.1 miles
4. Michel Desjoyeaux (Foncia) at 99.8 miles
5. Seb Josse (BT) at + 174.5 miles

Selected International

11. Sam Davies, GBR,(ROXY) at + 909.5 miles
12. Brian Thompson, GBR, (Bahrain Team Pindar) at + 923.8 miles
13. Bernard Stamm, SUI, (Cheminées Poujoulat) at + 935.9 miles
14. Dee Caffari, GBR, (AVIVA) at + 1158.8 miles
17. Steve White, GBR, (Toe in the Water) at + 1536.2 miles
- 18 . Johnny Malbon, GBR, (Artemis) at + 1783.4 miles
19. Rich Wilson, USA, (Great America III) at + 2051.8 miles
- 21. Derek Hatfield, CAN, (Algimouss Spirit of Canada) at + 2414.3 miles**
23. Norbert Sedlacek, AUT, (Nauticsport.Kapsch) + 2958.1 miles



For more information, follow-ups and to join mailing list for updates, visit: <http://www.spiritofcanada.net/>

# Training Officer Report...



The last of the exams were written this week, bringing an end to the Fall session.

Congratulations to all the graduates from the Boating classes and welcome to the **White Rock Power and Sail Squadron**.

A big **Thank You!** to all the volunteers that made the fall semester a huge success.

Registration has started for the Winter classes. First class starts January 13. See schedule below for full details. Boating and Seamanship will have new and updated material.

## 2009 Spring Course Schedule White Rock Power and Sail Squadron

All courses given at Earl Marriott Secondary School, 15751 16th Avenue, South Surrey. Pre-register at our website ([www.whiterocksquadron.org](http://www.whiterocksquadron.org)) or by mailing in your registration form. Pre-registration is highly recommended to ensure a place in your selected class or register at 1830 hours the first evening of the course. Courses are one evening per week, from 1900 to 2100. Prices are subject to change without notice. Courses may be cancelled for lack of registrants or other reasons.

Evening	Course	Starts	Ends	Pre-Requisite	Cost
Tuesday	Boating	Jan. 13	Apr. 21	None	\$275 Singles \$425 Couples
	Global Weather	Jan 13	Mar. 10	Fundamentals of Weather	\$ 95 CPS Member \$110 Non-Member
	Marine Radio (VHF)	Feb.17	Mar. 10	None	\$ 55 CPS Member \$ 65 Non-Member
	Boat Pro	Jan 13	Jan. 29	None	\$ 60
	Celestial Navigation	Jan. 13	Apr. 21	Advanced Piloting	
Wednesday	Boating	Jan. 14	Apr. 22	None	\$275 Singles \$425 Couples
	Seamanship	Jan. 14	Apr. 22	Boating	\$120 CPS Member

Cliff Harvey, STO

### Volvo Ocean Race Update

Picture at right shows the starting line up for the third leg of the race, from Cochin, India, to Singapore. There are concerns about having to go through pirates territory.

Positions as 20:30 hrs Saturday:

Green Dragon (Ian Walker/GBR)  
Team Russia (Andreas Hanakamp/AUT)  
Ericsson 4 (Torben Grael/BRA)  
Telefónica Black (Fernando Echávarri/ESP)  
Puma (Ken Read/USA)  
Telefónica Blue (Bouwe Bekking/NED)  
Ericsson 3 (Anders Lewander/SWE)  
Delta Lloyd (Roberto Bermudez/ESP)



Photo by Rick Tomlison, Volvo Ocean Race



# Government Liaison Report

Matters of interest to recreational boaters are as follows:

## **1. Golden Ears Bridge Project**

Boaters are advised that barges will be stationed at various positions in the Fraser River below the bridge during the raising of bridge deck sections.

Parsons Channel will be closed for a 6 hour period on November 4<sup>th</sup> while vibration tests are conducted on part of the bridge structure.

Notices to Shipping for this area are available on the project website: [www.goldenearsbridge.ca](http://www.goldenearsbridge.ca)

## **2. Second Narrows (Vancouver Harbour)**

Navigation aids at Second Narrows, particularly on the east side of the bridges, are to be reviewed shortly. Some updating of the system will be required as deeper draft tankers will be using this channel in the near future.

## **3. Canadian Hydrographics Service Update**

An updated version of Chart No. 1 will be available early in 2009.

A new Pacific Coast Chart Catalogue will also be available early in 2009.

A means of determining levels or “zones of confidence” (ie. reliability) on electronic charts is being explored. A pilot project is underway in the St. Lawrence River to build ENC's that will work in real time and adjust all depths to the current state of the tide.

CHS website will be redesigned early in 2009.

## **4. Canadian Coast Guard Update**

CCG has advised that the logging barge that sank in the vicinity of Robson Bight in August '07 will be raised next year (likely in May '09). Some oil leakage has occurred and it is surmised that some of the equipment on board may still contain thousands of litres of oil.

CCG also plans to remove oil from the USS Zielinski which sank in 1946 approximately 18 miles north of the current resting place of the ferry Queen of the North. The Zielinski contained considerable quantities of bunker fuel, bombs and ammunition. The vessel sits upside down in 100 feet of water on the edge of a 300ft. drop-off. Oil started leaking in 2003; oil removal will likely take place in 2010.

The recent CCG Level of Service Review will be amended to record the fact that no buoy tending vessel is available on West Coast during the months of June to November. Only one ship is available on the west coast of Canada and it spends the summer months in the Arctic.

P/D/C Jerry Powers, SN  
Government & Industry Liaison

Find us on the Internet  
[www.whiterocksquadron.org](http://www.whiterocksquadron.org)



If you are planning to boat in Washington, make sure you have your CPS or PCOC card with you. To learn their regulations more in detail, visit <http://www.parks.wa.gov/boating/boatered.asp>



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In 2005, a law was passed requiring boat operators to take a boater safety education course in order to operate a boat in Washington state. The law applies to operators of motorboats with 15 horsepower or greater.

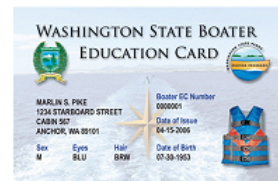
Boaters can take an education course in a classroom, online or at home. Once the course is completed and test passed, boaters need to send a completed application for their card.

If boaters already have taken an approved boating class, they only need to send in their application with supporting documents to get a Boater Education Card.

- Take an approved boater education course in the [classroom, online or at home](#).
- [Complete and submit](#) the application for a Boater Education Card along with fee and supporting documents.

#### Mandatory Boater Education

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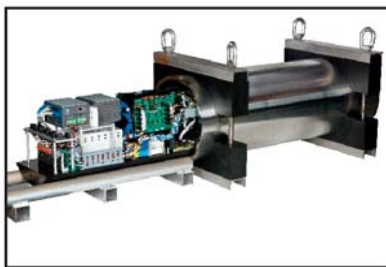
From Ocean News & Technology, December '08 issue...

# Neptune Canada Junction Box Deployed on VENUS Saanich Array

Ocean Works International and the University of Victoria announced the successful deployment of a NEPTUNE Canada Junction Box on the VENUS Saanich Array. It was one of two units delivered in August and will serve to provide valuable operational data prior to its redeployment, along with 13 other units, on the NEPTUNE Canada Array in the summer of 2009.

This deployment forms part of an extensive series of tests that will ensure a smooth launch of the NEPTUNE Canada Array. This July, the Prototype Junction Box unit underwent a rigorous qualification campaign at the Ocean Works facility. Later that month, it was shipped to the Alcatel-Lucent facility in Greenwich, UK for integration testing with a Neptune Node. The Node will provide Junction Boxes power and communications from the 800 km long underwater cable ring.

The NEPTUNE Canada Junction Box, designed and manufactured by Ocean Works, is a uniquely customizable



*Closing a NEPTUNE junction box  
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