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FROM THE BRIDGE

As Fraser's new Commander, I would like to thank all of you for trusting me to pilot the Squadron through the coming year.

You will notice a number of new names on the executive. It is most gratifying to see more members taking an active interest in running the Squadron, while learning the ropes from those who have already been on the executive for several years. We can always use volunteers;--if you can help the Squadron in any way, don't be bashful about offering your services, whether it be for a few hours a week, once a month, or whatever time you can spare.

We'll look forward to seeing you on Squadron cruises--everyone welcome! Happy cruising to all of you.

Commander Sue Dyck.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR RETIRING COMMANDER

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your helpfulness and co-operation during my term as Commander of your Squadron. As some of you are aware, I have experienced some health problems during the past year and have not been able to carry out my duties completely to my satisfaction. However, the balance of your elected and appointed officers have more than made up for my shortcomings.

It is with this in mind that I particularly wish to thank the officers for their outstanding contributions to a successful year.

To the new members of the Squadron: I wish to welcome you aboard and wish you much enjoyment in your future boating endeavours. You will find that this enjoyment can be enhanced considerably by volunteering in some capacity to help your Squadron carry on our work of safe boating and at the same time improve your own knowledge.

I would also like to wish your new Commander, Sue Dyck, and her bridge success in the coming year and to assure them of your continued support.

Yours in safe boating.

H. Fane, Commander (Retired).

THANKS TO THE PHONING COMMITTEE

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who so generously gave their time and effort on our telephoning committee.

It is undoubtedly largely through your efforts that the majority of our Squadron get togethers were so successful. As you are aware, it is only through unselfish personal volunteer effort that our Squadron can continue to prosper and grow to carry out our training schedules with some fun thrown in for balance.

Again, thank you very much.

Nessie Fane.



1981-1982 Annual Training Report

This year has been successful for the Training Department of Fraser Squadron. A good slate of courses was offered.

The Basic Boating course in September was held in both Ladner and Richmond. 61 wrote the exam in April, and 59 passed. 12 wrote the exam in December after the accelerated course, and all passed, for a total 95% pass rate, which is again above the national average. I believe it has to do with our high calibre of instructors.

For the first time, Fraser offered an accelerated Basic Boating Course after Christmas. February 15, 1982 registration found us swamped with students. 164 students registered and caught the training department by surprise, but with lots of luck and minor arm twisting, Fraser's members came through again, instructors and proctors volunteered, and all has gone well. February classes will be writing exams on May 3, 1982.

Advanced classes were run with the following results:

- Seamanship Power - 7 wrote and passed
- Seamanship Sail - 8 wrote and 7 passed
- Advanced Piloting - 10 wrote and 8 passed
- Marine Maintenance - 5 wrote and passed
- Junior Navigator to write 1 exam on May 15, 1982.

The Local Knowledge course is in progress at this time with 47 students taking part.

I would like to thank my complete training department-- Carol Quartermain, A.T.O. Richmond classes, Lindsay Smith, A.T.O. Advanced courses, all the instructors, proctors, guest lecturers, John Lewisch, training aids, Linda Gisborne, Squadron secretary, and our able and resourceful supply officer, Martin Hoffman.

I would also like to thank the Executive and members of Fraser Squadron for their support, advice, and overflowing help at registrations, exam markings, and at any other time needed.



Respectfully submitted,

Rand Lutman,
Training Officer,
Fraser Power Squadron.

GRADUATION PARTY

The 1982 Graduation Party and Change of Watch was held at the Delta Town & Country Inn on May 7. A very good roast beef dinner got the program started on time. Executive Officer Bart Shaw and Mrs. Shaw represented PMD in carrying out the pledging of new members and the swearing in of the new bridge. It was unfortunate that the students from the spring accelerated boating classes wrote their exams earlier in the same week so that they could not be included in the ceremonies.

Members who had served CPS were recognized by the awarding of merit marks, Commander's citations and Commander's thank you's. Herb Brimble and Al Curran received their 23rd merit marks. Tony Merry received his 15th, and Barbara Dyck her 12th merit mark. The Stu Church trophy for outstanding service in Fraser's training department went to Rand Lutman for so effectively filling the gap left by the resignation of Esther Dombrowski last fall. The Dr. John Murray trophy, sometimes referred to as the Good Samaritan trophy, was awarded to Carl Seabrook for the rescue of several adults and children from a boat in distress.

As the program was on schedule, the party got started in good time. The amplified music was too loud to permit reasonable conversation so the less enthusiastic dancers went home early.

Fraser Power Squadron wishes to thank the following firms for their kindness in donating prizes that titillated our gambling spirits:

Deas Harbour Marina, Duffy's You Frame and Artists Materials, Mustang Sportswear Ltd., Pacific Yachting Magazine, and River Marine.

DID YOU KNOW?

The basic fault leading to the greatest number of fires in boats is corrosion of fuel tanks. Even stainless steel will corrode quite rapidly under conditions that could be found in your boat.

Plastic fuel lines, hoses of rubber-like material, and plastic sediment bowls are real hazards even though they are free of leaks. A small nearby fire may cause them to soften and leak or burn themselves so that the boat's fuel can be released into the fire.

Fuel is getting dirtier so watch the fuel filters; they may now need more frequent changing than in the past.

The two devices that have been suspected as the major sources of ignition in many boating fires are the ignition distributor and the starter.

***** BE WATER WISE *****

COMING EVENTS

May 21 - 24 Victoria Day Cruise

This was described in the April "Fairlead" but there has been a minor change. The visit to Maple Bay has been moved from the 2nd rendezvous to the last port before leaving for home.

May 29 Pacific Mainland District's Seminars and Annual General Meeting.

All members of Fraser are welcome to all events but the seminars will be most useful to instructors and those who intend to become instructors or members of the bridge. The seminars and the change of watch will be held at the Images Theatre, Simon Fraser University.

Events are scheduled as follows:

- 0930 "Coffee's On"- coffee and conversation in the theatre foyer. (pastries courtesy Cambie Plaza Bakery)
- 1000-1130 A.G.M. - election of the new district Bridge and "short-short" officers' reports - Images Theatre.
- 1130-1215 "Enthusiasm Seminar" presented by District PRO R/C (Ret.) Dick Blockberger, National PRO chairman R/C Lorne Riding, District Marep Officer Albert Harskamp and Cdr. (Ret.) Fred Bennett - Images Theatre.
- 1230 Lunch in the Cafeteria. Pay for your own at 3 to 6 dollars, depending on your appetite.
- 1330 - 1530 Training Seminar with D/T/O Norm Dyck, Asst. D/T/O Pat Brandlmayr and Regional Training Assistants. A must for all T/O's, Asst. T/O's, Lecturers & Proctors.
- 1330 - 1430 Seminar for Squadron Commanders and Executive Officers.
- 1330 - 1430 Administration Seminar for Secretaries, Treasurers and Admission Officers.
- 1330 - 1430 Seminar for PRO's, Supply and Marep Officers and Cruisemasters.
PRO's and Supply Officers are requested to join the Training session in progress at 1430.
- 1330 - 1430 "Jam Session" with National PRO Chairman, Lorne Riding. This is the ideal place to be for anyone wanting to know more about CPS or someone with a beef who wants to be heard. This is your "open line" to National: Take advantage of the opportunity.



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COMING EVENTS (Continued)



Pacific Mainland District's A.G.M. (cont'd)

A party will be held at Frank Baker's Restaurant (north end of Lion's Gate Bridge) starting at 1830 with dinner served at 1900.

For more information contact Norm or Sue Dyck at 274-4887. They have tickets at \$ 22.50 per person. The seminars are free.

Coming Events - Cruises

July 1, 2, 3,
and 4, 1982

Dominion Day Cruise. Something old; something new. Take in the Lamb Barbecue then travel to Roche Harbour and Sucia Island.

Sept. 4, 5,
and 6, 1982

Labour Day Cruise. This will be a short tour of the northern Gulf Islands starting at Degnan Bay. There will be visits to Ladysmith and Newcastle Island.

... The Thanksgiving Day Cruise will be announced in a later issue of Fairlead.

As usual on Fraser Cruises there will be planned activities for the young folk with prizes to spur them on to greater efforts.

Cruising information may be obtained by calling Del Dash at 278-8578 or 274-2352, George Schurman at 271-7439, or Ted Bula at 943-5886.

SPRING FITTING-OUT by G. Jamieson

For boats stored in the water do your spring tune up now. Ensure that the batteries are fully charged. All belts and hoses should be checked and replaced if they are hard or cracked. Connect all the hoses and put back all drain plugs. The engine can now be started and checked for leaks in the exhaust system, the fuel system and the lubricating oil system.

For boats stored dry, the procedure is the same except that it will be necessary to install fresh fuel and a fully charged battery. The propeller shaft in a wooden hull should be checked for alignment a day or two after launching. Be sure to check the hydraulic connections of an in-out drive and refill the leg with new oil.

Before launching, paint the bottom, close all seacocks, and install all drain plugs. Clean the boat and be ready for some good boating.

THE BRIDGE AND CREW OF FRASER POWER SQUADRON

for 1982-83

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