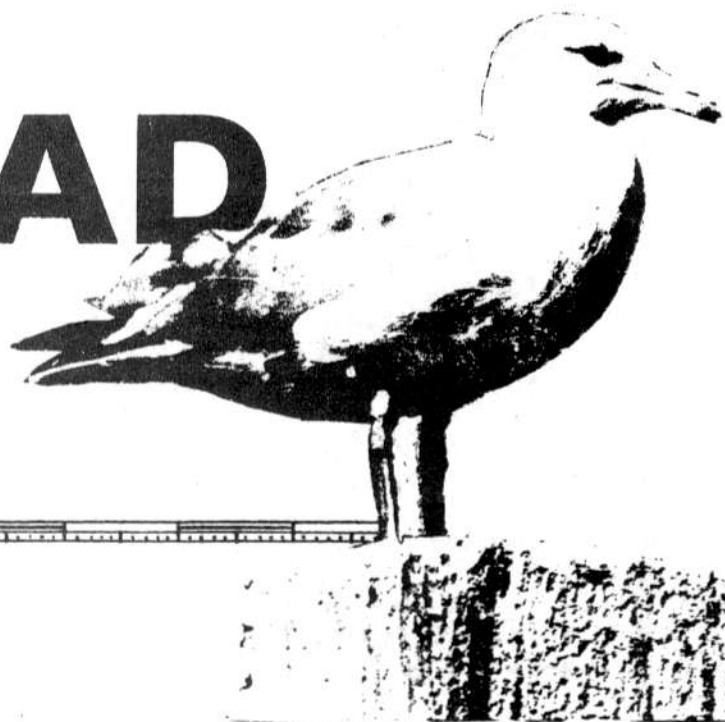


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FROM THE BRIDGE

"The objects of Canadian Power Squadrons shall be to establish high standards of Navigation and Seamanship, to provide training and study courses and facilities in the field of Boating, Seamanship, Piloting Navigation and the safe handling of boats of all kinds....".

The preceding quotation is taken from the Canadian Power Squadrons Operations Manual. Regrettably our squadron has not been able to satisfy all of the requests to conduct courses that have been received over the last few years. Without more people willing to teach and proctor, this problem will persist.

Please let me or any member of the squadron executive or the training department know if you can assist us in meeting the squadron's primary objective. I would also urge boating students not to be shy about coming forward and offering to assist in our training program next fall.

For those people who have not yet completed the "Membership Talent Roster" questionnaire which accompanied last months Fairlead, it is an ideal means of communicating your interests to the squadron executive.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cdr. George Schurman

JANUARY SOCIAL

by Linda Nixon

Seventy-five people attended the January 25th social to hear Constable Stu McLea of the R.C.M.P. Marine Investigations speak on the problems of enforcing marine law. Stu, a member of Fraser Power Squadron, has been with the R.C.M.P. Marine Division for 11 years and is currently stationed with patrol boat M.P. 59. Marine Investigations enforces immigration laws, narcotics control, customs and sudden death incidents. A lively discussion period centered on the issue of operator licensing for yachtsmen within Vancouver Harbour; a distinct possibility in the near future. A license would be required in the operation of any size of boat. An operator would be tested on the water much like a driving exam for a driver's license. I can see the mile long line of dinghies on the dock now!

Stu presented a 20 minute film on water safety that focused on boating in a car topper but brought to light the basic safety measures one should know and enforce when on the water in any size of vessel.

65% of all boats registered in Canada are based in the Vancouver area and statistically 10% of all boats in Canada will be involved in a sudden death incident. That knowledge in itself, is cause enough to be "boat wise".

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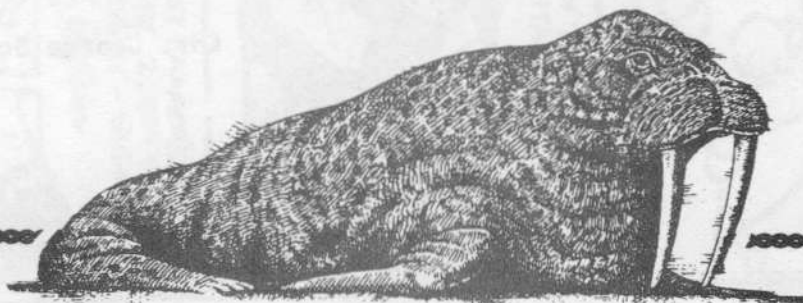
MEET YOUR EXECUTIVE

Brian and Lindsay Smith were both born at a very early age in the U.K. Brian appeared to be a very shy young man, Lindsay - not so shy. Some how, they met and decided to throw in their lot together.

Their lot didn't amount to very much - and whatever the glue was, it has kept them together so far for 21 years. Their lot has expanded somewhat and now includes two once lovely children - now - a man of the world and a young lady- Rob and Katy - who you can meet if you haven't already, at the auction.

Brian has been Lt. Socials for the past few years, M.C.ing our special evenings and being the auctioneer. He has also taught the Basic Boating Course for several years. Lindsay is at present Lt. P.R.O., writing Fraser's articles for district magazine PROPWASH, and advertising the Basic Boating Course. She has also been 1st Lt. Administration, 1st Lt. Secretary and Lt. Assistant Training Officer.

----- And what became of the shy young man? To find out - come to Fraser's Auction on Feb. 22, 1985 - you will see that he has disappeared!!



THE 1985 VANCOUVER BOAT SHOW

by Cheryl Gaudet

B.C. Place Stadium is a deluxe facility for our show. The 1985 Boat Show seemed to motor off to a huge success on opening day. The show itself seemed to have more sparkle and shine than in previous years.

As the doors opened, eager boaters lined up. A coat check was available for our comfort, so we could examine the boats for all tastes with greater freedom.

The professionalism this year shone through as the salesman answered all questions, no matter how insignificant or trivial to the actual selling of the boats.

There were all types of boats represented from small sailboats and power boats to the largest and most luxurious that all boaters dreamed of owning. Even children were well catered for by booths displaying put-together models with small engines to run in the water, and all types of dinghies and tubes to tow behind mommy's and daddy's toy.

A large selection of displays presented every aspect of boating from maintenance supplies, boat repair shops, engines of all types and sails to bait and tackle for fishing. Artificial chamoises were being sold by a fast talking salesman to a great number of boaters with "spring cleaning" on their minds.

Boating safety was very well covered and it was good to see the C.P.S. booth so well manned by Fraser's members. The Royal Life Saving Society was giving information on their courses and promoting a conference with demonstrations. The Coast Guard and the Canadian Marine Rescue Auxiliary each had a booth. Along with these organizations, there were companies displaying every type of emergency equipment available from life-lines and life rafts to all the bells and whistles your vessel could hold.

After wearing out the soles of their runners, all boaters readily welcomed food and drink. A great variety of food and drink was available. You could choose from hotdogs, pizzas, french fries, smoked salmon, cookies, fudge, ice cream and other desserts. The drinks ranged from freshly squeezed orange juice, hot apple cider, herbal teas, exotic coffees and soft drinks to beer, cider and wine.

After refreshments, you could enjoy the lighter side of boating by listening to squeeze-box and accordion tunes drifting through the air intermingled with nature sounds and California beach music. Adults could gaze at fabulous paintings of our own lovely city and ocean produced by local artists while the kids watched the dogfish swimming in a large tank.

Even if you love boating, but don't own a boat, there was a good selection of books reduced in price to inspire your dreams and your meals. The most refreshing thing to see was the charity of boaters as they eagerly donated their money for boating causes. A big hit was watching everyone test his skill at the computer game of landing the big salmon. The proceeds were for the CKNW Orphan's Fund. The show was so enjoyable that all could not be seen in one day!

THE 1985 SEATTLE BOAT SHOW

On Saturday, January 19th twenty-two Fraser members took the Maverick Bus Tour to the Seattle Boat Show. There were a total of 3 buses, all C.P.S. members from various squadrons around the lower mainland. We arrived at the Ramada Inn around noon, checked our luggage in our rooms and then it was on to the show!

It was again a very big show with numerous boats, large and small in the Kingdome plus more in the tent type structure adjoining the building. It was very, very busy with lots of line-ups to get on board to view the larger boats. The prices on many boats and accessories were very appealing, U.S. prices unfortunately!

There was a buffet and pub in one area with the thickest hot roast beef sandwich I have ever seen.

We were bused back to our motel at 7 pm where we freshened up and then went to the Smith's room for Happy Hour; and then a much appreciated sit down supper to rest our tired feet!

Sunday there were several optional tours: a trip to the harbour to view the vessel that does all the charts for the area, another one to the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks, or back to the boat show again to see what you may have missed the day before, or just sleep in and relax before the 4 pm departure back home.

Another group of 17 Fraser members drove their own vehicles down and stayed at the Double Tree, so our Squadron was well represented.

It seemed like everyone including John and I enjoyed the mini get-away holiday!

Diane Grabher

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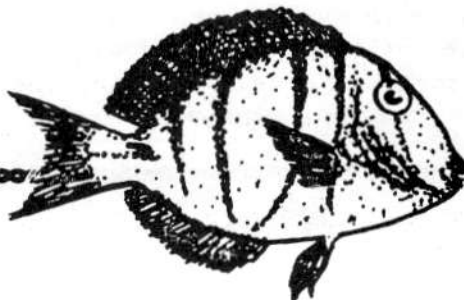
CURRIED SHRIMP

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| 1/2 cup chopped onion | 2 cups chicken stock (bouillon cubes in hot water) |
| 1 cup chopped celery | |
| 4 tblsp. margarine | 1 cup tomato juice |
| 1/3 cup flour | 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce |
| salt and pepper | 2 tsp. curry powder |

Saute onion and celery in margarine. Stir in flour. Slowly add chicken stock to thicken, then add tomato juice. Add spices, let simmer and adjust curry if necessary.

Add 1 pound shrimp. Serve over rice.

by Linda Nixon



Surgeon Fish

PENDER ISLAND NEWS

The following items were copied from the Pender Post Vol. 14 No. 163 provided by Tony Merry -

MACKINAW SAILBOAT UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT PENDER: For 11 months now, Bob Dougherty, a Pender Island furniture maker, has been working on an ambitious project. He is building a Mackinaw Sailboat, a scaled-down version of a Great Lakes fishboat as they were built in the early 1800's. The hull is cedar on bent oak, glued and finished with copper rivets, while the inside finish will be on Honduras mahogany.

When ready to sail in another five months, the 18-foot boat with its six foot beam will carry 242 square feet of sail (which Dougherty will sew himself) on the two masts.

AND IN CONTRAST - A VERY SMALL BOAT: Doug Simpson of Pender Island and Vancouver has designed and patented the "Feathercraft", a lightweight folding sea-going kayak. The boat is 16' long, with a beam of 26" and weighs just 38 lbs. It is a very stable kayak with excellent carrying capacity and it is faster than the traditional folding kayak. Part of the framework converts into a pack frame for packing the entire disassembled boat like a back-pack for portaging and for travelling by plane. It can thus be taken to the remotest places. John Ince, a Vancouver lawyer and writer of the well-known book "Sea Kayaking Canada's West Coast" recently took a "Feathercraft" to Germany and France to paddle and explore streams, rivers and lakes over there with the idea of writing yet another book. Two boats went to Nepal with a couple of scientists and one has just been flown to Bethel a remote town in Alaska to a young lady medical Doctor. The Feathercraft has been well received by dealers here in Canada and in the U.S.A. and it appears that the Canadian and U.S. Armed Forces are very interested. Doug Simpson's "little boat" is sure to go a LOOOONG way!

P.S. Sea kayaking is becoming very popular and must not be confused with river and white water kayaking which is an entirely different sport.

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The following recipe has been tested and approved by the Fairlead committee:

BEST BANANA BREAD

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| 1/4 cup butter | 1 tsp. baking soda |
| 1 cup white sugar | 3 bananas, mashed |
| 1 egg | 1 1/4 cup flour |

Cream butter, add sugar gradually. Add egg, beat well. Add soda. Add bananas and flour alternately. Mix till fairly smooth. Pour into greased loaf pan. Bake at 350° for 40 to 60 minutes.

TRAINING DEPT. NEWS

We are pleased to announce that one of the accelerated Boating Class students, who failed the exam, has since rewritten and passed. The large registration for the spring accelerated Boating Class has required a change in organization from that reported last month. Richmond now has two classes to accommodate 50 students whereas Ladner has one class of 25 students.

The staff will now be:

Ladner - Instructor Gary Russell with proctors Alan Eldred and Garnet Jamieson.

Richmond - Instructor Ted Dubberley with proctors Bob Baird, Stu McLea and Ron Paull.

Instructor Harry Fane with proctors John Grabher, Brian Smith and Lindsay Smith.

Bruce Hood will be instructing and Gil Kitchen will be coordinating the regular Boating Class in Ladner.

Fraser will offer, free of charge, the C.P.S. Instructor Training Course given by Carol Quartermain. The dates have not yet been established for the program which will likely be four sessions of two hours each. Details will be given in a later issue of Fairlead. This is an excellent opportunity to gain self confidence in speaking to a group of people.

After the completion of the spring courses, Fraser will host a short course leading to the M.O.T. Restricted Radio Operator's Certificate. This will be available to the general public as an alternative to going into Vancouver during M.O.T. office hours to take the test and obtain the certificate. The times, place and cost will be announced later.

REMINDERS

Supply Officer Ron McBryan (273-4282) has a supply of C.P.S. flags 12 x 20 inches for \$5.00 each and blazer crests for \$18.00 each.

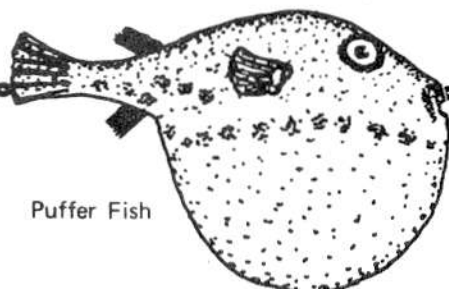
Did you remember to give Cdr. George Schurman the completed "Talent Roster" that was attached to last month's Fairlead? More forms can be obtained from John Moran (943-3416).

A reminder to members who have changed boats this past year. Contact Harry Fane at 277-8732 to list your new boat in the 1985 Propwash!

CONGRATULATIONS TO MARG DASH !!

Marg was recently elected Commodore of the G. of G. Power Boat Navigators Association. She is Fraser's Historian and was Squadron Commander a few years ago.

DID YOU KNOW - Canadian Power Squadrons has a far greater per capita membership than the U.S.P.S.



Puffer Fish

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 22, 1985

Fraser's Annual Auction

This is a fun evening when you may put up your surplus boat related goods for auction by our own comedian, Brian Smith. Please call Brian (277-7981) ahead of time to inform him of what you wish to sold. Standard auction procedures may be followed. Fraser takes 10% of the selling price.

The place - The Delta Town & Country Inn
The time - doors & bar open at 1930; auction starts at 2000
The cost - the usual admission of \$2.50 per person
Welcome to --- members, friends, Boating Class students, members of other squadrons

NOTE: This is the February social evening with free sandwiches and coffee or tea.

March 22, 1985

The regular social evening with guest speaker Gary Russell telling us about cruising on England's Norfolk Broads.

April 1985

Instructor Training Course
Restricted Radio Operator's Certificate course.
All details will be announced later. Please refer to Training Dept. News.

April 26, 1985

Fraser's Annual General Meeting

May 11, 1985

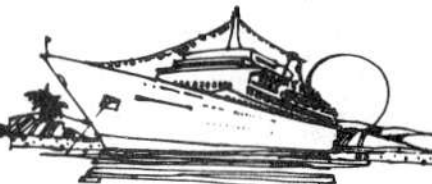
Graduation Party
Come and enjoy a Saturday evening of wining, dining and dancing while welcoming new graduates to Fraser's membership and acknowledging those who helped to make it happen. The price will remain unchanged at \$17.50 per person.

June 22-23, 1985

Burrard Power Squadron's ladies stag cruise to Camp Artaban (in Howe Sound).

FOR SALE - Bayliner Sunbridge 79 model 27½ feet, Volvo 255/280 with 150 hours and 9.8 electric Merc. ob. Fully equipped.
Price \$26,900 Please call 946-7320

STAFF APPOINTMENT, CRUISEMASTER - Del Dash has been appointed Cruise-master for the 1985 boating season. This appointment is made at this time rather than at the Annual General Meeting to allow one person to coordinate the whole of the on-the-water program for the regular boating season.



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