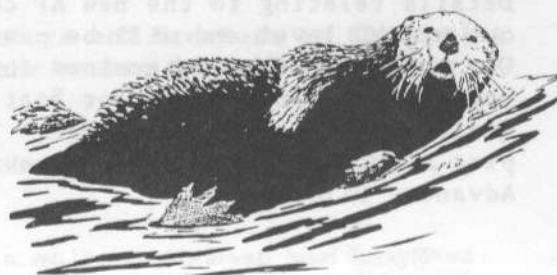


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## FROM THE BRIDGE

The 1987-88 training season is nearing completion. I wish to thank the entire Training Staff for their hard work and dedication and to welcome aboard our New Training Officer, Dave Bauer. I know the Dept. will be in good hands with Dave at the helm and I'm sure he will have our whole-hearted support. Plans for the 1988-89 Training season are already underway and we will be implementing the new courses. An outline is included in the Training report of this Fairlead. I fully expect that there will be some initial confusion as the new structure is introduced, but I hope this will get sorted out as the courses develop. If you have any questions at all, please call us.

I was pleased to see such an excellent turn-out at the Graduation Banquet on May 6th. A good party seems like a fitting finale to a busy year. It is time now to put our paper work aside for a while and relax or go boating!!

I wish us all a warm, sunny summer and happy cruising. Look for PHAROS I.

Linda Gisborne  
Commander

## TRAINING REPORT (continued)

Those wishing to take JN or N, please contact me as soon as possible to allow sufficient time to establish if required. Tentative registration is September 14th at Palmer Jr. Secondary.

I may be calling on you over the next few weeks for services as Proctor, or Instructor and I thank you in advance for cooperation.

There will be an IT course offered to Instructors and Proctors in the spring and I can tell you from personal experience that the course is well worth your time!

There will be an Instructor/Proctor get together on Monday, August 29th, at 7.30 p.m. at my home.

Don't forget to refer to the flow diagram on the last page of the Fairlead, and start planning your fall Squadron activities NOW!

Please call me at 946-4227 any evening or weekends if you have questions or wish to volunteer your services. Or you may write to: Dave Bauer,  
5106 Cooper Place,  
Delta, B.C. V4K 3J1

Have a safe and happy summer boating season!

Lt/C Training  
Dave Bauer.

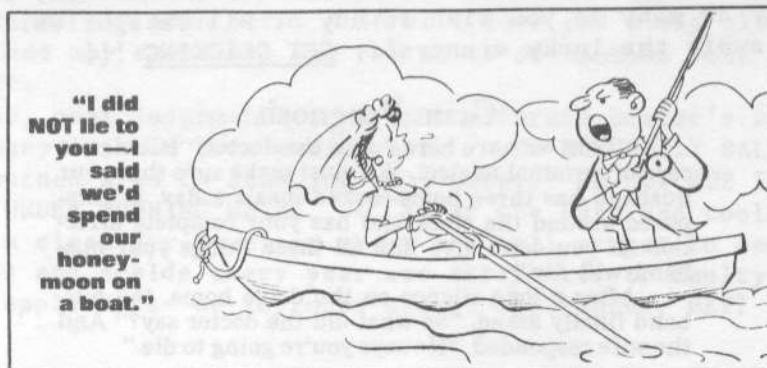
## MAREP UPDATE

Members are reminded while enjoying their summer holiday and weekend cruises to be alert for the opportunity to file MAREPS. Look for errors or omissions on CH3 Charts, the new 1988 Small Craft Guide and List of Lights. If you need any information or blank forms call the Squadron Marep Officer Bill Gardner 946-1196.

A Major MAREP Cruise is being planned for the Squadron in the latter part of September. A contest will be part of the cruise with significant prizes for those submitting the most accepted MAREP reports. Watch the September Fairlead for full details.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Bill Gardner  
Marep Officer



## FRASER SQUADRON TRAINING REPORT

As we prepare for the fall training session, it is clear that there are very important changes on the path from Boating to Navigator. One change which perhaps affects the majority of us is the requirement to complete the Seamanship Course as a prerequisite to AP. Boating, Seamanship and Advanced Piloting, have been adjusted in course content to run 13-14 weeks. This will allow the ambitious to take Seamanship in the Fall and Advanced Piloting in the Spring. Details relating to the new AP course qualification are presently being worked out at PMD level and will be passed on to those of us affected as soon as possible. One thing has been determined for sure, and that is, members who have only completed Basic Boating, or Boating, must successfully complete Seamanship to qualify for the new AP course. The new JN and N courses remain 20 weeks long, plus sightings, etc., and are available to those who have successfully completed Advanced Piloting.

There has been discussion and questions relating to the process of challenging exams, and John Moran has kindly provided the following information, quote;

"CPS members may challenge the exam for any course for which they have passed the specified prerequisite course. In some courses, such as the present Advanced Piloting, it is necessary to complete an assignment, the cruise of the Aypee, to the satisfaction of the Squadron Training officer before an exam will be issued to the student. The full course fee must be paid and there may be some limits to the dates for writing exams.

A student having just passed the Boating Course and wishing to take the Jr. Navigator Course as soon as possible may save some time by; challenging the Seamanship exam; waiting for a pass to be recorded; completing the Advanced Piloting assignment; challenging the A.P. exam; waiting for a pass to be recorded then registering for the J.N. Course. This procedure can be extended to the Navigators Course." unquote.

The new CPS course program is reproduced on the back cover of this Fairlead.

Our fall schedule is as follows:

Registration for the Boating Course is on the first Tuesday and Wednesday of school opening, namely September 6th and 7th at Burnett and Palmer Secondary in Richmond, and Delta Secondary in Ladner. Note: All Boating classes now run 13-14 weeks.

Seamanship. Registration is Sept. 6th at Delta Secondary, Ladner, and Burnett in Richmond.

Marine Maintenance registration is Sept. 13th at Palmer Jr. Sec., Richmond.

Weather registration is October 24th at Delta Secondary.

VHF Radio Course will start mid October at Delta Secondary.

No registration for AP other than that discussed previously, Seamanship Power, or Seamanship Sail this fall.

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## CANADIAN BOATS GOING TO U.S. WATERS

The U.S. Coast Guard informed the Royal Victoria Yacht Club that all boats with an engine 26 ft. and over using U.S. waters must display the following sign in the engine room near the bilge pump or fuel pump. There are reports of Canadian boats being fined for not displaying the sign.



### DISCHARGE OF OIL PROHIBITED

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act prohibits the discharge of oil or oily waste into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or the waters of the contiguous zone if such discharge causes a film or sheen upon or a discoloration of the surface of the water or causes a sludge or emulsion beneath the surface of the water. Violators are subject to a penalty of \$5,000.00



NOTE: The U.S. Coast Guard is strictly enforcing the laws prohibiting the carrying of any narcotic drugs no matter how small a quantity is involved. We believe that any such drugs accompanied by a medical prescription may be exempted but check with U.S. authorities before entering U.S.A.; other documentation may be required.

### CAMERA BUFFS

Don't miss an opportunity to capture on film that great shot, (during your summer cruising, just messing around with boats, or whatever). Come this fall, you will have the opportunity to enter the FRASER SQUADRON'S PHOTO CONTEST, to be held on Friday, September 23rd. Entries should be submitted by Saturday, September 17th, to any member of our executive.

There will be three categories in which to enter your favourite shots: People; Scenery; and Miscellaneous; so you will have lots of scope. Black and white or coloured prints at least 127 x 178 mm ( 5 x 7 inches) are required and you may enter as many as you wish in any or all categories. Some interesting prizes will await the lucky winners! GET CLICKING !!!

### Grim Prognosis

"What we have here," said the doctor, "is a classic case of terminal neglect. We must make sure that your husband has three home-cooked meals a day, is pampered around the clock and has your complete affection. If you don't give him all these things your husband will die."

After a long silence on the drive home, the husband finally asked, "So what did the doctor say?" And the wife responded, "He says you're going to die."

## GALLEY FIRES

Vic Ramos

Most galley fires unfortunately could have been prevented had a few preventative steps been taken. Don't become a statistic this summer.

Before you use your stove or oven, take the time to check that all the connections are tight; use a solution of liquid dish soap and water around all connections to check for fuel leaks. Also check that the appliance is in working order per the manufacturer's specifications. Never light a match or bring any other heat source near your stove or oven if you detect any strong odor of fuel that you are using. DO NOT EVEN CHANGE A BURNED OUT LIGHT BULB. Treat this as a very serious emergency. Do not operate any electrical switches. Ventilate, open doors, hatches, windows, port holes, what ever. Then after everyone aboard has been alerted and PFD'S donned, investigate and correct the problem.

One cause of galley fires is careless use of flammable liquids also the galley is where most scald burns occur.

Here are some galley tips:

- Do not set anything other than what you plan to cook in on top of the stove or place any paper inside your oven.
- Pot handles should be turned away from the edge of the stove.
- Do not leave unattended cooking oil or frying pan unless the burner is turned off and the pan moved to a cool burner.
- Never move a frying pan that is on fire to a sink or to take outside. Moving increases air flow which causes the fire to flare, increasing the fire danger.
- Never use water on a grease fire. Oil is lighter than water, therefore adding water will cause the oil to overflow and the fire to spread. Also, due to the high temperature of the oil, the water added will turn to steam, causing an explosion that will splatter and spread the grease and fire.
- Use BAKING SODA, NOT FLOUR to put out an oil fire. FLOUR can explode.
- Do not turn on any fans. Again we don't want to increase the air flow to the fire. An overhead fan may also cause the fire to spread to another deck.
- For every pot there is a lid. Keep the correct lid for the pot in use close by. Place the lid over the fire to smother it.
- If excess fat is not trimmed from a roast a greasy broiler tray may catch fire if preheated. Turn off broiler, close the oven door. Baking soda right on the roast will smother the fire and will not harm the meat. Remember to stand to one side and not to look directly into the oven when you open the door. Should the flame flare you would be out of harm's way.
- Clean the stove and oven often. It will save you a big clean-up at the end of the season and may even save you the price of another boat or the grief of loss of life.
- Carelessness, poor judgement or an inconsiderate boater's bow wave are the causes of many a scald burn every year. - DO NOT APPLY SALVES -
- Place the burned area in standing cool water. DO NOT RUB ICE over the burn. DO NOT PUT UNDER RUNNING WATER. - After the burn has cooled down pat dry and cover with a clean dry towel or sheet and call or get to medical attention. Galley fires and scalds every year are attributed to faulty appliances, unattended appliances or improper use of appliances. HEY! LET'S BE CAREFUL!

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## GALLEY FIRES (continued)

### DO YOU HAVE A MICROWAVE OVEN?

According to Burn Care International and the Institute for Fire and Burn Education, over 90 percent of microwave oven users have been burned by the foods they heated. Overheated liquids are the main cause, jelly-filled pastries is another. The jelly in a doughnut can heat to over 93.3 degrees Celsius in just 30 seconds, hot enough to burn the mouth.

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### DON'T TRUST LONG SLEEVES TO PROTECT YOU FROM THE SUN

**WARNING!** Long-sleeved clothing won't necessarily protect you from the sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays - which can cause skin cancer, experts say.

It all depends on how tightly woven the fabric is. "Loosely woven fabrics admit much more UV light than tightly woven fabrics," declared Dr. Samuel Stegman, associate clinical professor of dermatology at the University of California at San Francisco.

"The tighter the weave, the less UV light admitted."

Fabrics that offer the best protection are cotton needlecord, cotton denim, nylon-Tricel, nylon viscose jacquard and wool jersey, according to a study printed in the journal *Clinical and Experimental Dermatology*.

Among fabrics in the study that let in the most UV light were nylon acetate and polyester jersey.

To tell whether your clothing admits a great deal of UV light or not, hold it up to a light or the sun, Dr. Stegman suggested. "The more light admitted through the fabric, the more UV light will penetrate to your skin when you wear it."

It doesn't matter what color the clothing is - white, black, red or whatever - the important factor is the weave. By regularly wearing loosely woven clothing outside on a sunny day, you significantly increase your long-term risk for developing skin cancer."

And doctors say that if you are wearing loosely woven clothes on a sunny day, you should protect your skin by applying sunscreen to your arms, legs, chest and back. Also, plan outside activities for times other than when the sun is at its strongest.

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**DID YOU KNOW** - Robson Bight will be the site of a new wildlife habitat thanks to more than \$1 million in donations that the Vancouver Foundation is distributing. The Nature Trust of B.C. is receiving \$50,000 to buy land for this project located on northern Vancouver Island a few miles south of Port McNeill. Robson Bight is well known for attracting killer whale families.





## COMING EVENTS

- June 30 to July 3, 1988 - Fraser's Cruise to Degnen Bay, Gabriola Is. and on to Newcastle Is.
- July 2-4, 1988 - Seattle Wooden Boat Show - U.S. Naval Reserve Centre
- August 25, 1988 - Fraser's executive meeting at John Moran's home.
- Sept. 1-5, 1988 - Victoria's Classic Boat Festival.
- Sept. 2-5, 1988 - Fraser's Cruise to Degnen Bay, Ladysmith and Telegraph Hbr., Thetis Is.
- Sept. 4, 1988 - Labour Day Weekend - Royal City is hosting a FISH FRY at Otter Bay.
- Sept. 6, 1988 - Seamanship registration at Delta Secondary and Palmer Jr. Secondary.
- Sept. 6 & 7, 1988 - Boating Course registration - refer to Training Report
- Sept. 9-11, 1988 - Port Townsend's Wooden Boat Festival.
- Sept. 13, 1988 - Marine Maintenance registration at Palmer Jr. Sec.
- Sept. 17, 1988 - Hot Toddy cruiser navigation contest.
- Sept. 23, 1988 - Fraser's first social evening - Photo Contest.
- Mid October, 1988 - VHF radio course registration at Delta Secondary.
- Oct. 21, 1988 - Fraser's social evening - guest speaker -  
Jim Spillsbury
- Oct. 24, 1988 - Weather course registration Delta Secondary.

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FISH FRY - Sept. 4, 1988 Royal City is hosting a Fish Fry at Otter Bay.  
KIDS under 10 FREE - ALL KIDS over 10 \$5.00

Tickets pre ordered and pre-paid - available from:  
Queen's Park Meat Market - Eric Davies 521-1622  
588-3274 (home)

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SUMMER CRUISING - The Fairlead Committee hopes that this year some of our members will have interesting and enjoyable summer cruises. It seems that this seldom happens if the contributions to Fairlead are any criteria. We don't expect a "best seller" book but we hope that someone will submit a humorous incident, helpful information about safe pilotage into some harbour, up-to-date information about facilities at a location that you visited, a good lesson learned the hard way and how-to-do-it suggestions.

What would you like to read in Fairlead? Well, others may enjoy the same type of article from your experiences. We are not fiction writers so cannot produce stories on our own; we need the facts (fish stories may be excepted).

Vic Ramos has included a "starter sheet" for you!

Lt. Editor John Moran  
351 54A Street,  
Delta, B.C. V4M 3J2



A BOATING NARRATIVE WHETHER REAL OR FICTITIOUS, OR

TRUTHS AS I KNOW THEM

MY NAME IS ..... AND THIS IS A  
STORY OF WHAT HAPPENED (TO ME / AS I HEARD IT) ON MY TRIP.

WHEN ..... WHERE .....

I WAS .....  
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I KNOW MY FELLOW FRASER SQUADRON MEMBERS WILL ENJOY READING THIS STORY IN  
FAIRLEAD AS MUCH AS I ENJOY READING THEIRS.

SIGNED .....

DATELINE: Richmond, B.C.

This is your inveterate Mexican correspondent back from the sunny south to  
sample Vancouver's summer (what there is of it)!

Of course, Fraser Squadron, being the friendly group they are, inveigled us  
into organizing the Fraser sponsored "Hot Toddy" Predicted Log Contest.

For the uninitiated, a predicted log contest is much like a car rally. You  
predict your time over a given course and then, without benefit of any time or  
distance aids, take your boat over the course and see how close you come to your  
predictions. The main piece of information you need before-hand is your boat's  
speed OVER THE GROUND. You should know this for your own information and safety,  
so there's really not much to it.

Participating in predicted log contests lets you put into use all the  
navigation skills you learned over the winter in your boating or A.P. classes.

Three years ago Fraser Squadron agreed to sponsor one of the contests held by  
the G of G Power Boat Navigators Assoc. called the "Hot Toddy". This year the  
Hot Toddy will be held September 17th, 1988.

There is an antique brass compass set in teak with a ship's wheel backdrop  
to be won -- we hope by a Fraser member for the first time -- an exercise in  
navigation and a great weekend of fun and friendship on the water.

We would like to see lots of Fraser Folks out -- to participate or root for  
your favourites and join the fun.

Give us a call for further information on predicted log contests in general  
and the "Hot Toddy" in particular. We will be pleased to answer your questions.

Del and Marg Dash 274-2352



### VICTORIA DAY LONG WEEKEND CRUISE

Eight Fraser boats rafting alongside the Government Wharf at Whaler Bay (Galiano) Friday night May 20th marked the first day of the holiday week-end cruise. Included were: Brian and Verna Payne on KHENIPSEN, Dave and Daphne Williams on FAIRTIDE II, George and Lois Schurman, son Paul and guest Bonnie Snider on KOCHANA III, Paul and Rita Labonte and daughter Melanie on SARATOGA II, Chris Dalton and son Matthew on BALSAM STAR, Bill and Sharon Gardner and cruise-mascot "Killer" on RUNNING ON EMPTY, Hank and Riny Van Montfoort and guests Reg and Lynn Chase on MARIA J, Tom and Virginia Walker and guests Al Barry and Diane Mills on TIKITI.

The next morning we were all up bright-eyed and bushy-tailed so most of us headed off for the short ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mile) walk to Sturdies Bay. A few of us stopped at Burrill Bros. Country Store to pick up forgotten supplies. The store is worth a visit just to see the memorabilia of days gone by, including ancient radios, speakers, photos, an old steel barrel converted into a wood-burning stove, etc. The snug little coffee shop in the back must be a great place for the local folk to chin-wag during the dreary days of winter! Back to Whaler Bay, then an early start put us into Ganges (Saltspring) shortly after lunch where we were joined by new member Terry McPhail and crew Ed Van Geel on SHELTER III. There are dozens of little craft boutiques and several Art Galleries in downtown Ganges (adjacent to the Marinas) and many of us spent the day window shopping and browsing in and out of the shops. Finally, with tired feet and our cultural needs fully satisfied, we returned to the more important business at hand - HAPPY HOUR! Our group - young, old (never) and in-between, gathered on the wharf and stuffed ourselves with our assorted nibblies and liquid refreshments.

Sunday, May 22nd weather was a mixed bag - partly cloudy, strong S.E. wind with the rain finally catching up to us at Otter Bay (N. Pender) late in the afternoon. However, our spirits were not dampened and an Inter-Squadron Boat Building contest (had to be under 3 ft. and floatable), brought out the creative talents of Dave and Brian. Their "SPIRIT OF GALLEY BAY" (boat fenders, sail, twigs and twine) won an "honorable mention". There were many entries and the grand winner was an Oil Derrick, cleverly created with dixie cups by a couple of "youngsters" from White Rock Squadron. That afternoon we were pleased to have new members Andrew and Suzannah Daviel and infant daughter Ekaterina (4 mos.) on ALASTOR join the Squadron Cruise.

Final day of the Cruise (Monday), most of us left fairly early to catch a favorable tide. Wind had abated during the night and the day dawned clear and warm. Those who crossed the Strait later in the afternoon were treated to the sight of a large pod of whales moving northward.

All in all, a memorable Victoria Day Long Weekend Cruise and just the beginning of another great boating season!

Virginia Walker

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SAILING - noun - THE FINE ART OF GETTING WET AND BECOMING ILL WHILE SLOWLY GOING NOWHERE AT GREAT EXPENSE.