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This Newsletter is Dedicated in Memory of Anne Headrick

*Long-time White Rock Squadron volunteer and member
Anne Headrick
passed in August, 2017*

Anne was an active member of the White Rock Power and Sail Squadron and she served on the Bridge for many years. Anne loved sewing and donated many pieces of her work to both Canadian Power Squadron and White Rock Squadron functions. Anne was a life member of the Canadian Power Squadron with over 20 merit marks. Anne will be greatly missed.



Canadian Power and Sail Squadron Conference and AGM

Oct 24-29, 2017

Join us in Charlottetown for this year's conference and AGM. It is a great opportunity to connect with other members of the boating community

[Conference Website](#)



For more information about the conference and the registration process, please contact :

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COMMANDER'S REPORT



It's has been another fantastic summer on the water for boaters on the west coast. The May long weekend saw The Fraser Squadron joining the White Rock Squadron for a cruise to Telegraph Marina on Thetis Island. It was a sunny weekend with flat water across the strait to and from the marina. The marina provided us with a fabulous musician to entertain us on the Saturday evening.

I have been out crabbing on Semiahmoo Bay this summer and the catch was extraordinary. Over 50 crab each time although most were returned to the water, some to grow up. Several of the crab we kept were over 7 ½" across the shell.

July 1st saw The White Squadron in Ganges for Canada's 150th birthday with a fabulous fireworks display. It was a bit windy all weekend so the Canadian flags were flying straight out. Congratulations to Joan and Walter Shemly on their newest vessel, a SonShip 58 with an overall length of 64 feet. Joan & Walter were very generous with giving guided tours of their vessel.

Our cruise master Barry has organized our Labour Day cruise to a new location this year. This September we will be cruising to Ladysmith Maritime Society Marina on Vancouver Island. Come join us, all are welcome.

Harald Hanssen has lined up our fall courses to start this September 12th and 13th. If any of you know of a friend or family member who would like to improve their boating knowledge, please have a look at our fall courses.

Hope you all enjoy the rest of the summer on the water.

Andrew Pothier, SN

Commander, 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!

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER'S REPORT



As we are winding down another great summer of exploring our wonderful BC coast by boat, we reflect on something new that we observed continuously for a number of days. We saw and we smelled a haze from the wildfires burning in our province and Washington State. In previous years we have had glimpses of smoke on occasion, but this year it was quite imposing. It gave the sky an unusual misty look that was a little eerie. As we sailed further south, our visibility was limited, displaying a seamless shroud from the ocean surface dissolving in to a cloudless sky. At times, the islands and the landmass across Georgia Strait were totally hidden from view. Our thoughts are with the thousands of people who have been affected by these devastating wildfires in our province, in Alberta and in Washington our

neighbour to the south.

On a happier note, we once again met some great boaters, many of whom were flying our CPS flag. In Port Harvey, we met Colyn, skipper of Seajay and Commander of Valley Squadron. We were immediately invited to join Valley's cruise that was scheduled for early August. They had a well-organized itinerary for 12 destinations in Desolation Sound and the Sunshine Coast. Unfortunately, we were unable to meet with them.

For this Fall, our Squadron will be offering the marine VHF radio course leading to the legally required Restricted Operators Certificate (Maritime), and Boating 1- Basic Boating leading to the mandatory Pleasure Craft Operator's Certificate. Boating 2- Beyond the PCOC and Boating 3-Introduction to Navigation will be offered as a package. Also, if we get sufficient enrolment, we will offer Boating 5- Near Shore Navigation 2 (formerly known as Advanced Piloting). The latter is a recently updated course that focusses more on modern electronic marine navigation, as well as a more complete understanding of tides and currents.

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

Harald

Executive and Educational Officer, White Rock Power and Sail Squadron





The following is great news for those boating folks who depart from Crescent Beach Marina or the White Rock pier and travelling to the Gulf Islands and back.

Previously, CBSA required boaters travelling through US water to report in and obtain a clearance number.

New Reporting Exemptions

The reporting requirements for private boaters have changed. You no longer need to report to the CBSA if you meet the reporting exemptions detailed below.

Reporting Exemptions

- * If you are visiting Canada, you are not required to report to the CBSA if you:
 1. Do not land on Canadian soil and do not anchor, moor or make contact with another conveyance while in Canadian waters, and
 2. Do not embark or disembark people or goods in Canada.

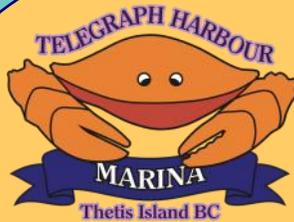
- * If you are returning to Canada, you are not required to report to the CBSA if you:
 1. Did not land outside Canada and did not anchor, moor or make contact with another conveyance while outside of Canadian waters, and
 2. Did not embark or disembark any people or goods while outside Canada.



For more information, visit their [website](#)



Out on the WATER



VICTORIA DAY WEEKEND MARKED BY WARM TEMPS AND SMOOTH SEAS

White Rock Power and Sail Squadron members enjoyed beautiful weather conditions as they gathered at Telegraph Harbour Marina on Thetis Island May 20 and 21.

Some boats enjoyed a very smooth crossing of the Strait spending the Friday night at Montague and then proceeded to Thetis on the Saturday.

Participating boats were Vapor Eyes, Acadia, Carousel, Kazbar, Mary D, Smoochee Two, Old News, Shocking Lesson, Freedom Too, Mer Bleu, Tortuga and Barcalo

They were joined by four boats from Fraser Squadron who contributed to the fun weekend

A happy hour that evening attracted 37 boaters.

Perfect weather conditions were in order on the Sunday for the christening of the new Mary D

After a wonderful potluck dinner 20 played crib with top honors to Jackie of Tortuga, second to Joan of Vapor Eyes and third to Geoff of Shocking Lesson

All players received prizes

Boats returned to home marinas on the Monday while four boats extended their stay in the Gulf Islands

Barry Baniulis
Cruisemaster



SQUADRON CELEBRATES CANADA'S 150TH BIRTHDAY

Members of the White Rock Power and Sail Squadron helped celebrate Canada's 150th birthday in Ganges on Saltpring Island July 1 and 2

Many members were able to cross the Strait Friday in lake like conditions and spent the night at Montaque on Galiano Blue skies greeted those crossing to Ganges on Canada Day and it was a very windy afternoon but conditions were calm and warm for the evening happy hour which attracted 27 happy boaters

The boats attending were DeeTour, Tortuga, Kazbar, Mer Bleu,

Carousel, Symphony, Freedom Too, Halifax Jack, Smoochee



From the Semiahmoo Yacht Club were Shocking Lesson, Mary D, Vayoreyes, Bacalao and Buds Tug

The evening fireworks were 15 minutes worth of shock and awe over Ganges in perfect weather conditions

Sunday was a day of exploring Ganges and just plain chilling on the docks

A Canadian trivia contest organized by Rosemary of the Freedom Too generated great interest and much fun with first place to Pat of Kazbar, second to Susan of Halifax Jack and third place honors to Jim of Tortuga

Another wonderful potluck dinner on the dock and then 16 played crib with first place to Barbara of Old News, second to John of Halifax Jack and third to Alex of Smoochie

Some stayed out

in the Gulf Islands while others returned to home marinas on the Monday

Barry Baniulis
Cruise master



WHERE'S THAT?!?

Where would you run into this handsome guy?

Answer can be found upside down at the bottom of the page



The answer is here



Located on the east coast of Vancouver Island at the south end of Discovery Passage, lies the city of Campbell River. With a population of over 35,138 inhabitants, Campbell River has long been viewed as "the Salmon Capital of the World".
Boating services include:
* Discovery Harbour Marina
* Fisherman Wharf

Picture Yourself



That bear is too close to our crab trap!! Photo submitted by Brenda of *Mer Blue*



Congratulations to Brian on the purchase of his new vessel "Y Knot" Photo submitted by Commander Andrew

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:
www.pc.gc.ca/en/amnc-nmca/plan

Fall 2017 Course Schedule

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Start Date</u>
<u>VHF/Martime Radio</u>	Sept 12
<u>Boating Basic 1 (PCOC)</u>	Sept 13
<u>Boating 2 and 3 Combo: Beyond the PCOC and Intro to Navigation</u>	Oct 11
<u>Boating 5 Advanced Piloting</u>	Sept 13

To learn more about each course and to register,
click on the course name.

All courses are taught at Earl Marriott Secondary School
15751 16th Avenue, South Surrey

Have you registered yet?



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.



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2017-2018**

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