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~ Submitted by SEO Harald

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## COMMANDER'S REPORT



As White Rock Squadron celebrates its 55th Anniversary, and another year draws to a close, I would like to reflect on our accomplishments in carrying out the mission statement of CPS-ECP.

***To increase awareness and knowledge of safe boating by educating and training members and the general public, by fostering fellowship among members, and by establishing partnerships and alliances with organizations and agencies interested in boating.***

- Through the fall of 2015 and spring of 2016 we ran 8 courses with a total of 109 students taught by a corps of 3 lead instructors and 5 proctors
- We attracted students from the boating public, community groups such as Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue (volunteer coastguard) and Lower Mainland Yacht Cooperation
- 24 squadron members volunteered 1,546 hours
- We hosted a social education/local knowledge event in November
- We have an active membership group and executive with 292 members, 13 of whom are Bridge (executive) members
- We re-engaged with the Recreational Vessel Courtesy Check program.
- In May 2015, we co-hosted a Safety and Flare Return Day in partnership with CIL/Orion and Steveston Marine & Hardware, Langley

With the support of our members, White Rock Squadron will continue to be a vital organization in our community.

- In April, we will be holding our 55th Annual General Meeting
- In May, we will be combining our Change of Watch & Merit Mark Presentation (volunteer recognition) with our Student Graduation and our first-ever New Member Welcome and I hope you will come out to support this event
- The 2016 Cruise schedule will offer a wide range of cruises for all members
- Next October, the CPS-ECP National Conference, Change of Watch and AGM will be held in Vancouver – details will be provided in the coming months – plan to attend and meet fellow CPS-ECP members from across Canada...coast to coast to coast
- We look forward to continuing our mandate of offering informative courses next fall

Thank you to everyone who participated in squadron activities this year. If you have comments and ideas please feel free to bring them forward. Come out to your Bridge meetings and social events, take a course, join a cruise

Above all, have a fabulous boating season everyone and stay safe in, on and around the water. Let's make this the best year yet!

Cdr Saacha



## *EDUCATIONAL OFFICER'S REPORT*



We are now close to completing another successful semester of courses. And, boating season is quickly approaching. We hope that our many students now feel a little better prepared for boating this summer as they have graduated from our classes in VHF Marine Radio, Boating Basics for their PCOC Card, Boating Essentials and the Seamanship course.

I know that I speak for all of us in the Educational Department when I say that it has once more been a pleasure to present and to help you through our courses.

I wish to thank all our volunteer members, both on our Bridge and our Educational Department who have helped make this last year one of the best. In particular, I wish to thank Commander Saacha for her unwavering leadership and her hard work in her “triple” duties. She even found time to make coffee for our Wednesday evening classes !

We wish you all a great boating season and we hope to see many of you on our Cruises this summer.

Harald  
SEO, White Rock Squadron



**We are hosting a *VHF/Marine Radio* course  
starting *April 5***

**For more information click [here](#) to visit our  
website and to register for this course**





## Fall Graduation



*Congratulations to all the students who completed boating courses in the Fall 2015 session.*

*On January 19 2016, the White Rock Squadron members came together to celebrate the achievements of the boating students and to thank the volunteer instructors and proctors for their hard work.*



# LET'S PLAY SOME GAMES...



Where's that?

**At which marina, on the west coast, will you find this lighthouse?**

*Answer can be found on [page 14](#)*



## NAME THAT BOAT!

Do you know the name of these type of boats??

*Hint: This photograph was taken in Zanzibar*

Answer can be found on [page 10](#)



# White Rock Squadron AGM



Plan to attend your  
White Rock Squadron  
Annual General Meeting

**Thursday, April 21**  
**1900 hrs**



White Rock Squadron's  
2015-2016 Bridge

White Rock Elks Hall #431  
Upstairs, George Street Lounge  
1469 George St, White Rock

Bridge meeting of the newly appointed officers to follow  
Come out and meet your incoming 2016/17 executive team

*Cash bar to follow AGM*



## North American Safe Boating Awareness Week





**Mark Your Calendars For May 21-27, 2016**

### 2015 Results

## Life Jack World Record Day Ready, Set, Wear It


Saturday, May 21  
10:30am-11am  
Vanier Park, Vancouver  
West Boating Ramp

Participants - **10,917**  
Inflatable Life Jackets - **1,927**  
Inherently Buoyant Life Jackets - **8,990**  
Dogs in Life Jackets - **65**  
Total Number of Events - **257**

5 Finland Events	132 USA Events
1 Hungary Event	1 Australia Events
73 Japan Events	1 Bermuda Event
3 Nigeria Events	1 Brazil Event
23 South Korea Events	15 Canada Events
1 Vietnam Event	1 China Event

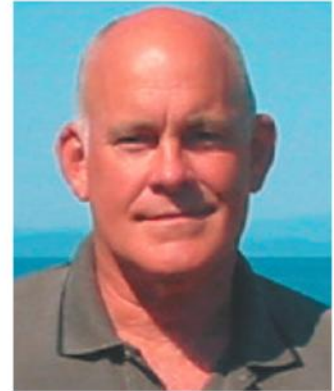


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**RCMSAR 5  
Crescent Beach**

**Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue**  
Serving the coastal waters of  
Surrey, White Rock and the Southern Straits

*For many years, White Rock Power and Sail Squadron has supported Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue (RCMSAR) Station 5 of Crescent Beach. These highly trained volunteers are dedicated to rescuing boaters in distress 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, in all weather conditions. It should give comfort to all boaters in our area that such a service will be there should they ever find themselves in peril at sea.*

*This year, White Rock Squadron will not be making a direct financial donation but will support their organization by discounting our Maritime Radio course for all RCMSAR recruits.*

*RCMSAR units are vitally important to our boating community. We urge all our members to visit the Station 5 website <http://www.rcmsar5.ca>. Learn about the Station and, if possible, support their efforts by attending a fund raising event, becoming a volunteer or making a donation.*

*Please take a moment to learn more about them.*

*The Bridge  
White Rock Squadron*

# 2016 PACIFIC MAINLAND DISTRICT

## AGM & CHANGE OF WATCH

Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons Pacific Mainland District  
Annual General Meeting and Change of Watch  
Chair: Guy Cooper, Cell: 604.724.8219 [cgc123@gmail.com](mailto:cgc123@gmail.com)

### Saturday May 28, 2016

**Hotel:** Executive Inn, 405 North Road, Coquitlam, BC

ph 604.936-9399 or 1.888.433.3932 (toll free)

PMD Discount rate of \$130/night. Email: [reservationsc@executivehotels.net](mailto:reservationsc@executivehotels.net)

<b>Events:</b> Saturday:	0815-0915	Registration
(Blues and Grays/Whites)	0815-0915	Sponsored continental breakfast
	0915-1145	Annual General Meeting
	1145-1400	Cash bar
	1215-1400	Lunch, Change of Watch & Awards
	1400-1500	Speaker John Horton, acclaimed marine artist.
	1500-1530	Door prizes

**Registration and Payment:** Required before May 16th for \$30

After May 16<sup>th</sup>, \$35

**Registration and payment on-line.** Use the PMD conference [link](#)

**\*\* Free Parking on Saturday for attendees. Register license plate number at PMD Registration Desk.\*\***



# Upcoming Events

## Victoria Inner Harbour Boat Show April 28, 2016

This event is hosted by the BC Yacht Brokers Association and has become the largest in-water boat show on the west coast.

For more details, visit their [website](#).

GREAT CANADIAN  
**Shoreline  
Cleanup™**  
VANCOUVER AQUARIUM & WWF

*Please join us!*

**Saturday April 23  
1100hrs - 1400 hrs**

Members of the Sur / Del and White Rock Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons will be meeting at South Crescent Beach to participate in the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

*Please dress for the weather as we go,  
unless it is a gale!!*

**All are welcome**

## SEAFEST

An annual event, held on Cortes Island. This year, SEAFEST will be held on May 21 at the Gorge Harbour Marina.

**SEAFEST** features BBQ, raw oysters, steamed mussels, clams, and so much more! There will be live music and local crafts.

Serving begins at 11:30 AM, and continues until 4:00 PM.

Maple Bay Marina's  
Wooden Boat Festival  
May 21 & 22, 2016  
Click [here](#) for details

## 10th Annual Boat Show at the Creek

**Western Canada's largest floating boat show**

**September 15-18, 2016**

**415 W. ESPLANADE, NORTH VANCOUVER**

**To register, click [here](#)**

## White Rock Power & Sail Squadron 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Evening

Change of Watch  
Merit Mark Presentation  
New Member Welcome  
&  
Spring Student Graduation



**Thursday, May 12  
7 – 9pm**  
Doors open at 6:30pm

**White Rock Elks Hall #431  
Upstairs, George Street Lounge  
1469 George St, White Rock**

Casual attire  
Light appetizers & refreshments will be served  
Cash Bar, Door Prizes  
No RSVP required, Free admission



# Summer Cruising Schedule



It's that time of year again!



**Easter Weekend**

March 25-16

Port Browning

**Victoria Day**

May 21-22

Telegraph Harbour Marina

**Canada Day**

July 1-2

Ganges Marina

**Labour Day**

Sept 3-4

Port Browning

It's time to start planning for the summer cruising season. Cruise master Barry has planned several great WR Squadron Cruises for the upcoming summer. Join us for fun, fellowship, happy hours, potlucks, dingy explorations, and crib tournaments. Please make your reservations with the marinas directly and advise them that you are with White Rock Squadron. Then contact Cruisemas-ter Barry to let him know you are coming.

## New to Boating or New to the area?

Participating in the WR Squadron cruises is a great way to meet new people and gain some practical experience.

Contact Cruise master Barry to arrange a Buddy Boat

## ~ ANSWER ~ A Dhow

(page 7 - Name That Boat!)

**The Dhow** is the generic name of a number of traditional sailing vessels with one or more masts with lateen sails used in the Red Sea and Indian Ocean regions. Historians cannot agree on who invented the dhow. It has been suggested that the dhow was invented by the Arabs or the South Asians. Typically sporting long thin hulls, dhows



are trading vessels primarily used to carry heavy items, like fruit, fresh water or merchandise, throughout the Persian Gulf along the coast of East Africa, and along parts of Pakistan, India and Bangladesh. Larger dhows have crews of approximately thirty people and the smaller ones typically run by twelve people.

## Extended Cruise Schedule

**Cruise master Barry is planning an extended cruise to the Broughtons for this summer. If you are interested in joining the group cruise to the Broughtons (leaving July 3), please contact Cruise master Barry for more details.**

Cruise master Barry will organize a group meeting to discuss the cruise in greater details.

- July 3** – depart Ganges for Pender Harbor – Dodd Narrows slack at 9:45 am  
–about 70 miles
- July 4** – to Refuge Cove – about 45 miles
- July 5** – to Shoal Bay – about 35 miles – Gillard slack at 11:45 am
- July 6** – to Port Harvey – about 55 miles – Green Point Rapids slack 11:45 am
- July 7** – to Lagoon Cove – about 16 miles
- July 8** – to Sullivan Bay – about 36 miles
- July 9** – to Turnbull Cove – about 6 miles – anchoring
- July 10** – layover day
- July 11** – to Jennis Bay – about 12 miles
- July 12** – layover day
- July 13** – to Shawl Bay – about 20 miles
- July 14** – to Laura Bay/Trivett – about 6 miles – anchoring
- July 15** – layover day
- July 16** – to Pierres at Echo Bay for the famous pig roast
- July 17** – to Waddington Bay – about 12 miles – anchoring
- July 18** – to Lagoon Cove via Retreat and Spring Passage then down Knight Inlet  
– about 26 miles
- July 19** – to Shoal Bay – down Johnstone and Chancellor – about 60 miles  
- Green Point Rapids slack at 11:30 am
- July 20** – to Octopus Islands – about 24 miles – Okisollo slack at 12.17 pm
- July 21** – layover day
- July 22** – to Gorge Harbour – about 22 miles – Beazley slack 11:22 am  
– group dinner out
- July 23** – to Nanaimo – about 75 mile
- July 24**– Dodds Narrows slack at 8 am – return to home marinas

**\*\*DISCLAIMER\*\***

**PLEASE NOTE DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE AND DESTINATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO A WIDE VARIETY OF CIRCUMSTANCES ...WEATHER BEING A MAJOR FACTOR**



# Picture yourself



An early foggy morning  
~ Submitted by SEO Harald



Tom and Denise of *Sympathy*,  
out for a relaxing paddle



What a lovely boat! This is Jack and  
Anne of *Drifter*

## FLARE DISPOSAL DAY Saturday May 14th, 9am-5:30pm

### *Do you know the condition and expiry dates of your flares?*

In accordance with Transport Canada regulations, flares are approved for four years from the date of manufacture. You can't light or fire them off. You can't discard them in your household garbage or dump them in a bin. So, what should you do with them?

White Rock Squadron, Langley and Valley Squadrons, are hosting a Safety Equipment Education and Flare Disposal event at Steveston Marine & Hardware, Langley.

Please make the time to examine your flares and all other safety equipment. Bring in your outdated flares so that they can be properly disposed of, learn about mandatory safety equipment and join us for a hot dog and soda...**all free of charge!**

**Steveston Marine & Hardware Langley  
19700 Langley Bypass #201, Langley**



Flares with a manufacture date of 2012 or earlier (or they will expire this year) must be replaced.

**It's the law!**

*White Rock Squadron presents*

**Social/Education/Local Knowledge Night**

**3 Great Talks = 1 Great Evening**

**Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm**

White Rock Elks Hall #431  
1469 George St, White Rock

White Rock Squadron members share their expertise:

**Harald Hanssen (Squadron Educational Officer) presents:**

**Boater Beware! ~ Transiting Safely In the Gulf Islands**

**Gerard Ponsford (Course Proctor) presents:**

**Canadian Boat Ownership in US Waters ~ Demystifying Regulations**

**Barry Baniulus (Squadron Cruise Master) presents:**

**Come Cruising With Us ~ WR Squadron 2016 Cruise Events**

**Great venue, cash bar, door prizes!  
Light refreshments will be provided!**

***Bring your questions and stories!  
Bring a friend...see you there!***

**CPS members \$3    Non-members \$5**



***RSVP not required***  
***For more information, contact Commander Saacha at 778-872-1285***



White Rock Squadron Bridge meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except June, July, and August).  
Check the website for location.

Meetings Start at 7:00 pm

Everyone is Welcome!

April Bridge Meeting  
will be held after  
April 21st AGM  
7:00pm Elk's Hall

IN EARLY SEPTEMBER 2016  
PACIFIC MAINLAND DISTRICT (PMD)  
WILL HOST THE

## 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL PMD PREDICTED LOG RACE

This family focused event, power or sail, will be held on Indian Arm.

3 inaugural trophies will be dedicated to this event

Become the first named Skipper & Vessel

Volunteers will be needed from PMD squadrons

**Coming in September!**

*Watch for details in the coming weeks*



Answer (photograph on page 7 – WHERE'S THAT?)

## ~ Maple Bay Marina ~



Maple Bay Marina is located in the diverse Cowichan region of Vancouver Island and has been providing a secure harbour to boaters since 1945.

There is plenty to see and do around the Maple Bay Marina. There is so much to explore by land and by sea. From vacationing in one of the float homes to renting a kayak for a paddle around Birds Eye Cove, there is so much to explore.

To learn more about the great hiking trails or to reserve moorage or a float home, visit their [website](#).





# KIDS CORNER

## Join the Suzuki Superhero Challenge

When you join the Suzuki Superhero Challenge, you will receive a weekly activity for four weeks that will teach you about important environmental issues and connect you to the great outdoors.

Each activity has been adapted from the David Suzuki Foundation's free *Connecting With Nature* educational guides.

Visit the website for more details, click [here](#)

*Water is life; we can't afford to waste it*  
~ David Suzuki

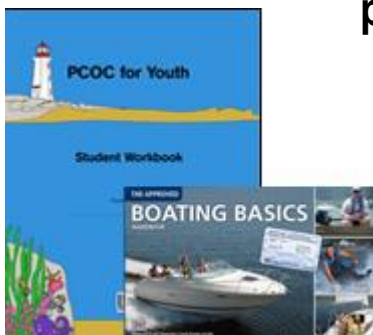


Hey kids!  
Looking for some fun things to do during your spring break from school??  
check out the games, contests and activities on the CPS kids website - [www.cps-ecp/kids](http://www.cps-ecp/kids)

**Are you thinking about getting your PCOC card??**

**Did you know that there is a Boating Basics Handbook and Student Workbook for students 8-12 years old??**

The handbook will help you prepare for the PCOC exam. The student workbook has activities and puzzles to help you practice.



*For more information, check out the [website](#)*





## White Rock Squadron Bridge 2015-2016

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### Have you liked us on Facebook?

We average approximately one new posting on Facebook each day with updates on our Squadron courses and events, as well as news and features of interest to area boaters.



### Do you follow us on twitter? Do you Tweet?



@whiterockPSS

Check us out at

[www.twitter.com/whiterockpss](https://www.twitter.com/whiterockpss)

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