

Merry Christmas to all !!



December 2001

THE ANCHORLINE

White Rock Power & Sail Squadron, White Rock BC

COURSE SCHEDULE - SPRING 2002

Course	Starts	Ends	Cost
Boating	Jan 8	Apr 16	\$175 Single
	Jan 9	Apr 17	\$275 Couple
Piloting	Jan 9	Apr 17	\$100 Members
Seamanship Sail	Jan 8	Apr 16	\$100 Members
			\$120 Non-members
Fundamentals of Weather	Jan 8	Feb 26	\$100 Members
			\$120 Non-members
VHF Radio	Jan 8	Jan 22	\$ 45 Members
	Mar 26	Apr 9	\$ 55 Non-members
Navigation with GPS Seminar	Mar 5	Mar 12	\$ 35 Members
			\$ 45 Non-members
BoatPro	Jan 9	Jan 30	\$ 70
	Mar 6	Apr 3	

Classes start at 7:00 PM. First day registration starts at 6:00 PM
Location: Earl Marriot Secondary School, 15751 - 16th Ave., Surrey, B.C.

Register by mailing cheque to: White Rock Squadron
P.O. Box 499
800 - 15355 24th Ave., Surrey, B.C. V4A 2H9



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Contact the Squadron at 515-5566 or get certificates at SRS Books in Windsor Square 538-6226

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From the Membership Desk...

Our current White Rock membership is at 328 and growing!! (We're hoping to add some new members to our roster once the current Fall boating classes are completed.)

Changing your address, telephone or e-mail? Please remember to let us know so you will continue to receive your Pacific Yachting magazine and annual membership renewal.

Want your boat name listed in the 2002 Roster "PropWash"? If so, you can e-mail me, but don't wait too long. Deadline is in February!

Mary-Lou Wightman

How happy are you with the design of our burgee?



This question has surfaced on several previous occasions, but never seems to go away. Some of you are clearly content with the current pennant, but others among you would prefer to consider a design that is more symbolic of our locale. Your bridge is therefore inviting proposals for consideration by our Squadron.

There are some specific rules in the CPS Operational Manual that apply to the design of pennants. For details, contact John Naylor at 604-538-2720.

No proposal can be adopted without the approval of the Squadron and the Governing Board, so don't expect any hasty decision. We are simply at the first step, and unless we receive one or more appealing designs this project may not get off the ground. If, however, you have an idea that better identifies us with White Rock – you may have a winning design that will earn the respect and admiration of your fellow boaters. Let your imagination run – and look for a follow-up report in the next issue of The Anchorline.

Have you been caught in the fog while on the seas? It creeps up ever so silently and before you realize it, you have to deal with it. Poor visibility due to the fog may create a disorientation on the waters and thus place you in an unexpected awkward situation. Here are a few tips to consider before setting out on that cruise.

- Fuel up all tanks before leaving for a trip
- Two compasses
- GPS – enter the waypoints
- Radar reflector
- VHF – turned on
- Charts of the area
- Depth sounder
- Extra fuses
- Battery posts and wire gadgetry to the battery should be checked. Sand off any galvanic corrosion
- Check for cracks and clean the distributor cap.



Veronica Neufeld

Commander's Report...



In October, Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons held its annual national convention in Kelowna. Eight of our Bridge members were able to attend so we were able to bring back a lot of information from the many meetings and seminars that were held over four days.

As with most conventions, a lot of bureaucratic stuff had to be taken care of. We learned more of changes that are being planned in the future delivery of training, issues in attracting and retaining CPS members, and such. In this report I would like to briefly share with you some other items that I think may be of interest.

First, during the Annual General Meeting a contract was signed by our Chief Commander and the President of a company called Nautical Data International (NDI). This is the only maker of digital marine charts whose Canadian charts have the official approval of the Canadian Hydrographic Service (CHS). The agreement that was signed makes CPS a re-seller of their products and allows CPS to sell these products to our members at a discount. Additionally, NDI will take an active role in helping CPS design future electronic navigation courses and seminars. So stay tuned and we will keep you informed on how we all may benefit from this partnership in the months to come.

Second, the Canadian Hydrographics Assistants Program (CHAP) that has been run as a pilot project in Eastern Canada has been deemed a success and may be expanded to BC. This program is an extension of the Marine Reporting program (MAREP) that CPS has had in place for many years. In MAREP, CPS members give reports on changes in hydrographic features to CHS. Surveyors then may take measurements on these new or altered features for reporting on marine charts and in other publication. The CHAP program takes this to the next level and trains CPS members to do some types of hydrographic surveys. Data obtained by our members is then used directly by CHS, thereby eliminating the need to dispatch professional surveyors and shortening the time to publication. If a sufficient number of CPS members are interested in hydrographics and are qualified as Advanced Pilots, then we may be able to start a CHAP program on our coast.

Third, it was very interesting for me to learn that, since the events of September 11, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary has taken on more routine duties that will allow the Coast Guard to do more patrolling. In turn, the United States Power Squadrons (USPS) has taken on some routine duties from the CG Auxiliary to free them up to have more time for their new roles. One such activity that is being "downloaded" is vessel safety inspections, for which almost 2,000 USPS members have now been trained. Our Governing body is not considering such an initiative for CPS, as there doesn't appear to be the same needs for this in Canada, at this time.

One message that came through loud and clear from the convention in Kelowna was that Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons is more relevant and more influential in recreational boating than ever before. And, more than ever, CPS needs you to be a member, to enhance your boating knowledge by taking a course, and to encourage someone close to you to take a boating course. More than ever, CPS needs you to be involved

From all of us on the Bridge ... Have a happy and safe Holiday Season!

Harald Hanssen, AP
Commander

LAGOON COVE
By Sandy Wightman

Located just west of Minstrel Island through the “Blow Hole” on East Cracroft Island is perhaps the friendliest marina we have found on the coast. Hosts Bill and Jean Barber go out of their way to make their guests welcome.

Although not in copious quantity, their water is filtered and free of the typical brackish colour. Their docks include a covered area with free propane fired crab/prawn cooking facilities and a ‘lost and found’ for gear.

At 5 p.m. nightly, guests bring hors d’houves and their happy hour drinks up to a partially enclosed deck at the head of the dock. Awaiting them are complimentary fresh cooked prawns in abundance. Good weather evenings bring a bonfire singsong with stories, jokes and roasted marshmallows.

There are several hiking trails. Fuel is clean and reasonably priced. Prawning and crabbing is good in nearby waters.

Over the past five years I have developed an interest in recreational prawn fishing. Our weekend and extended trips have a regular prawn fishery. In mid July 1999 I left two traps overnight in waters near Lagoon Cove and Minstrel Island. The next morning and later that day I could only find one trap, with prawns of course. As we were planning to return to Lagoon Cove in a week to ten days we continued on our trip north to Sullivan Bay.

Hoping the trap float may have resurfaced with different tides and currents we looked hard on our return but ... no trap. C’est la gare de prawn!

The summer of 2000 saw our boat, Wight Mist, heading north to Bella Bella with the Squadron’s extended cruise. As Lagoon Cove is an excellent fuel stop and enjoyable marina to visit it was on the itinerary. Imagine our surprise when walking the docks we discovered our gear on their floating “Lost and Found”.



White Rock Squadron celebrating Oktoberfest theme at the National Convention in Kelowna. Left to right: Andrew Pothier, Shirley Shea, Norm Headrick, Bobbi Naylor, Denise Stevenson, Carlos Fuenzalida, Anne Headrick and John Naylor.

Cleaning and Maintenance Tips...

Happy Winter Cleaning!

Safe boating and environmental boating go together. Safe, environmentally friendly alternatives to traditional cleaners such as bleach and commercial cleaning mixtures. In the following paragraphs, some of the options containing common household products are listed. I encourage you to “test” some, if not all, of these environmentally friendly alternatives.

General alternatives to soaps and detergents are:

- Borax or hydrogen peroxide for bleaching
- Three parts olive oil and one part white vinegar to polish wood
- Apple cider vinegar to clean and baby oil to polish to make chrome shine
- Baking soda to scour tough stains; a paste of baking soda and salt can be used to clean fiberglass stains
- Two tablespoons cream of tartar in 1 quart of water will clean aluminium
- Brass can be cleaned and polished using Worcestershire sauce or a paste made of equal parts vinegar, salt and water. Rinse well afterwards.
- To clean copper use a mixture of lemon juice and salt. Apply, wait 2-3 minutes, then rinse
- Decks and floors can be cleaned using a cup of vinegar in a gallon of hot water. Beware this mix may remove polish. One cup vinegar and one pint water can be used to clean lexan. Use a soft cloth the polish dry
- Mildew/mould can be attacked using a paste of equal parts of either lemon juice or salt and vinegar and salt. Vary treatment per location
- To clean the shower: wet area, sprinkle with baking soda, rub with a scouring cloth
- To clean the fridge: wipe with a cloth dipped in baking soda.
- To clean the head: add baking soda and brush with great enthusiasm. A cup of vinegar left overnight in the head will reduce the build-up of salts
- To clean windows: use one cup of vinegar in one quart of warm water, wash, rinse and squeegee

Anre McIntosh



**And he thought he was safely anchored!and he was, anchored on the rocks!
Seen in John Passage, East of Swartz Bay, waiting for high tide to come to the rescue.**

Robb Zuk photo

2002 Cruising Schedule...



Please complete and submit asap to : **Barry Baniulis, Cruisemaster**
214 - 15150 - 29 A Avenue
Surrey, BC V4P 1H1
604 - 542 - 0519
E-mail: irishroamy@telus.net

Join us for fun, fellowship, happy hours, potlucks, dingy explorations, crib tournaments. Marina moorage is very tight on long summer weekends. Your immediate attention is appreciated.

- Easter - March 29, 30, 31 - Ganges Marina/Fulford Harbour
- Victoria Day Weekend - May 18,19,20 - Telegraph Harbour Marina - Thetis Island
- Canada Day Weekend - June 29,30, July 1 - Otter Bay Marina, North Pender Island
- Extended Cruise - Sechart Inlet, Princess Louisa Marine Park, Desolation Sound. Dates to be determined, probably last week of July and first week of August. Schedule under development.
- Labour Day Weekend - August 31, September 1,2 - Genoa Bay, Vancouver Island

PLEASE CHECK THE CRUISES YOU WILL ATTEND

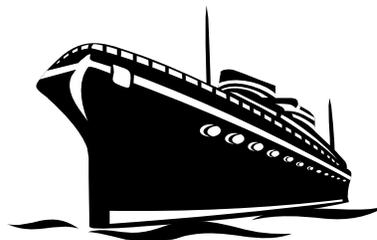
Boat nameLength.....Sail/Power (Circle one)
Your
name

Address.....Postal Code.....

Telephone numberNumber in party

Please make reservations directly with the marina to secure a berth. Please indicate you are with the White Rock Power and Sail Squadron.

Genoa Bay	1-800-572-6481
Ganges Marina	1-250-537-5242
Fulford Harbour	1-250-653-4467
Otter Bay Marina	1-250-629-3579
Telegraph Harbour Marina	1-250-246-9511



Monthly Meetings...

If you would like to attend one of our Squadron meetings, they are held on the third Monday of every month, at the **ABC Country Restaurant**, 2160 King George Hwy. Dinner starts at 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:15 PM. Please call one of the bridge members to confirm.



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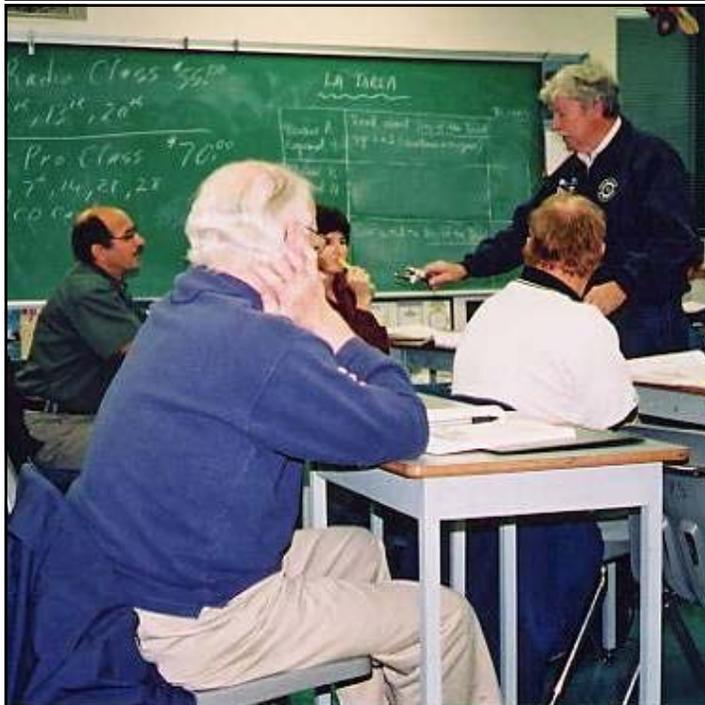
Education Seminars Oct. 25, 2001

Four members of the Crescent Beach Coast Guard Auxiliary, led by Dan Savage, gave a very interesting presentation about their extensive "on the water" training, the incidents they attend and how they acquired their new boat "Vigilant". Ken Morrice told the heart wrenching story of the night last year when that kayaker drowned off White Rock pier. He received the distress call at 9:12 PM and by 9:30 he and three fellow members were on Vigilant and leaving the boat house. In the darkness, they raced as fast as safety would permit out the Nicomekl River. The kayaker had the misfortune of a dark night without a moon. This meant the rescuers had to travel slower than normal for fear of running into one of the pillars in the water. Due to the low tide that night, they also had to travel out past the last marker to avoid running aground prior to turning for White Rock. They then encountered four foot seas. As they turned the corner, the people on the pier were still talking to the victim in the water. However, by the time the rescuers arrived, he had slipped beneath the waves. A gallant effort by the auxiliary without success. Ken told of other rescues when they were able to save lives. In the last three years, all the people they rescued were wearing life jackets. All the victims who drowned, were not wearing a life jacket.

The second presentation was from Sam Carson who told of his exciting trip aboard a one hundred and eighty foot steel hulled sail boat named Square Rigger. He showed us lots of pictures of the ship and crew while telling us of his experience. He boarded the ship in Costa Rica, sailed through the Panama canal and down the west coast of South America. They sailed around the Horn, where they experienced unbelievable weather and onto the Falkland Islands. They then sailed across to the Cape Of Good Hope, did a u-turn and up the Atlantic seaboard to Halifax and finally Montreal.

Thank you so much to the Crescent Beach Coast Guard Auxiliary and to Sam Carson for putting on such fine presentations!

Andrew Pothier, STO



Instructor Lorne Wells teaching his Boating class...

Gift Giving Ideas

CPS-ECP Officer's Cap - gold embroidered logo, color - navy, cotton - \$10.00 squadron cost.
CPS-PMD Sweatshirts - gold embroidered logo, assorted colors, assorted sizes - \$39.00 squadron cost.
WR zipper tabs - great on your purse, travel luggage, or any zippered item - \$2.00 each
CPS - WR coffee mugs - environmentally friendly - \$7.00 each. A great stocking stuffer.

And many more items of interest to every sailor...

For details or to order, contact:

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