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# THE ANCHORLINE

White Rock Power & Sail Squadron, White Rock BC

## Come and Join the Party !!!



**Event:** *Change of Watch*

**Place:** *Chateau Cargill  
3550 King George Hwy.  
White Rock, B.C.*

**Date:** *Friday May 3rd*

**Time:** *1800 hours*



*The Change of Watch is our annual gala event and all are welcome. The buffet dinner is traditionally excellent. This year we are having entertainment that will delight all. Come dine and dance with us and enjoy meeting old and new friends, all boaters.*

*Price is \$40.00 per person and will be a memorable evening.*

*Please contact Marilyn Mitchell at 943-9058*



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## Commander's Report...



Soon after the Christmas season every year, I start making my plans for the coming boating season. It usually starts with a bit of daydreaming to help ward off the winter blues and then, before I know it, I'm making lists.

One list is for enhancement and repairs that I want to do on our boat. Some things, of course, were never crossed off last year's list. This year, maybe I'll replace the main halyard. I definitely need to replace a corroded gas fitting and update my flares inventory. The main sail needs a good cleaning, and I've never been too happy with our anchor stowage. You get the idea...

As for destinations, we plan on sailing to at least one area that we have never been to before, as well as re-visit areas that we haven't been to in awhile. I have started a list of charts that I need to update and I've pulled out some books that will help with our planning. We always like to get into a bit of the history of the places that we visit.

One of the many benefits of being involved in CPS is that there are always boaters around that I can talk to about any of my plans ... boaters who have "been there, done that". As we plan our boating season, it is easy to take for granted all the good stuff that we have learned, or re-learned, in CPS courses. And a lot of that learning has happened outside the formal curriculums. For example, I have never taught a course, or taken a course, in which I haven't learned something worthwhile from the students.

If you need some help with your boating plans or just want to bounce around a few ideas, we have Squadron members who are experienced in all sorts of boating in run-abouts to big power cruisers ... from blue water sailing, to dinghy sailing, to wilderness canoeing. And, that reminds me of another list that I have to update ...

Come and talk to us at our booth on the White Rock pier for the TD Canada Trust Regatta on April 27 and 28.

Harald Hanssen, AP  
Commander,

### Calendar of Events

**March 5 - Navigation with GPS**

**March 6 - Boat Pro Classes commence**

**March 14 - Whiskey Golf...7:00 p.m. at Windsor Square**

**March 26 - VHF Radio Classes commence**

**April 24 - Annual General Meeting at Windsor Square**

**April 27 & 28 - TD Canada Trust Regatta**

**May 3 - Change of Watch**

## Membership News...



The Mini-grad held on January 28th for our Fall students was a great success. As a result we now have 13 new members.

Welcome to all! Our White Rock Squadron membership total now stands at 356. So come on, both old and new members ... make it a date to join us on our summer long week-ends rendezvous. The more the merrier!

P.S. Remember ....let me know if you want your boat name listed in the June issue of PropWash

The January issue of PROMOTO is now on the CPS Web site. Our squadron is featured on page 6 !! Go to [www.cps-ecp.ca](http://www.cps-ecp.ca) and then look for the link to Members' Moorings. PROMOTO and other items that might be of interest are there for your review.

Mary-Lou Wightman

### NOTICE

#### Annual General Meeting White Rock Power and Sail Squadron

**Date:** April 24, 2002

**Time:** 7:30 PM

**Place:** Windsor Square, 1959 152<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
Surrey, B.C.

### Welcome New Members!

Pat & Doug Brealey

Ron Cox

Bonnie & Johan DeKoning

Ryan Despins

Beth Frisken

Oliver Gannon

Gerry Kromm

Catherine & Bill Liang

Anthony Ludmilin

Ian McDougall

Alison McLean

Ann Rounthwaite

James Saulter

Linda & Gerald Spence

Bruce Steele

Philip Sturgess

Stephen Taylor

Ken Tomkow

Steve Ussyk

Gary West

Myrtle Lewis

### W.G. (Whiskey Golf)

Don't miss this Social Education Evening on March 14, 2002 , 1930 hours, at Windsor Square Mall.

Come and learn more about Whiskey Golf at this informational evening put on by **Canadian Forces Maritime Experimental and Test Ranges**.

Everyone welcome, refreshments available. There is no charge for this Event. However, we would appreciate a tooney donation per person to the White Rock Power and Sail Squadron.

Don't miss this important evening!

# Tidbits

## Boating Class Survey

For marketing purposes we survey the new classes each term to see how effective our advertising dollar is spent and where to put the emphasis in the future.

Well this year the results showed that:

|                                                            |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Word-of-mouth ranked first bringing new students to class. | 25% |
| Advertising in the Peace Arch News was second              | 24% |
| Our new road signs were third                              | 20% |
| The remainder is composed of:                              |     |
| Radio                                                      | 1%  |
| Pacific Yachting                                           | 4%  |
| Marina/supply store                                        | 4%  |
| Web site                                                   | 8%  |
| Referral from previous students                            | 11% |
| Co-op/Regatta                                              | 3%  |

This means Squadron, that YOU, our members, have helped immensely in attracting new students, so thank you and please keep the word out there...continue to encourage people to attend and let us continue in our efforts to make this a safe boating community.

Thanks again!

Shirley Shea, P/Cdr

## TD Canada Trust Semiahmoo Bay Regatta

Our Squadron will be on the White Rock pier for both days of the TD Canada Trust Semiahmoo Bay Regatta on April 27 and 28. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of this charity event and our Squadron has lent its support each year.

The Regatta, formerly called the Semiahmoo Bay International Regatta, is hosted by our neighbours, the International Yacht Club of BC for the benefit of the White Rock South Surrey Foundation. Last year, almost \$10,000 was raised for local charities.

The last weekend in April has now been established as an important weekend in racing in our waters. Many sailboats of all types and from far-off places will be organized into Racing and Cruising classes and into a number of mono-hull and multi-hull divisions. The TD Canada Trust Cup will be awarded at the Saturday evening dinner and dance in White Rock. The White Rock Cup will be awarded on Sunday afternoon at a BBQ lunch at the Blaine Harbor Boating Center. For more information on participating in the Regatta, check out their web site at [www.interyachtclub.com](http://www.interyachtclub.com).

Come out and watch the races, and visit us at our booth to learn more about what White Rock Power and Sail Squadron is planning to offer in courses and other safe boating activities in the near future.

Harald Hanssen, AP  
Commander

## Our Instructors



**Harald Hanssen**



**Brian McMurdo**



**John Naylor**



**Ken Penny**



**Andrew Pothier**



**Stephen Stewart**



**Lorne Wells**



**Sandy Wightman**

## Training Officer's Report

The mini grad for the fall 2001 Boating, Piloting, and I. T. students was held on Jan. 26th at the Crescent Beach Yacht Club. Thank you to all the instructors, proctors and bridge members who helped make it a success.

Our Assistant District Training Officer Doris Trelenberg attended and pledged a number of new and current members.

The Boat Pro class wrote their PCO exam on January 30th and all nine students passed.

We now have a total of 115 students enrolled for the spring classes.

The weather class will write their exam on February 26th and the seamanship sail class will write on March 5th.

We have the following classes starting on :

- March 5th - GPS
- March 6th - Boat Pro
- March 26th - VHF Radio

Andrew Pothier, STO

Picture Gallery...



Perfect score!  
Denise Foxall and  
Gerry Spence  
receive the Ralph  
Maloney trophy  
for their perfect  
scores on the Boating  
exam.



New members  
being pledged by  
Assistant District  
Training Officer  
Doris Trelenberg.



Graduating fall  
Boating class with  
instructor Sandy  
Wightman, at center.



Graduating fall  
Piloting class, with  
instructor Harald  
Hansen, at right

## 2001 Cruising Reports...by Barry Baniulis



Please complete and submit asap to : **Barry Baniulis, Cruisemaster**  
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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 - Sechelt 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 name .....Length.....Sail/Power (Circle one)  
Your  
name .....

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

Telephone number .....Number in party .....

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

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

### 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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#### **Personal watercraft operation: do's and don'ts**

- Do know how to swim and wear a PDF
- Go slowly until you are in a clear area
- Make sure you can be seen at all times
- Check for, and obey, "no wake" signs (read "no wash")
- Look behind you for traffic as you prepare to turn
- Keep a safe distance between you and any other crafts
- Avoid ship channels whenever possible
- Do not speed in congested areas
- Do not come too close to another vessel
- Do not engage in wake jumping.

### **Getting Boats and People Together!**

**Looking for people to crew on your boat? Give us details on what you are looking for...**  
**Looking for a boat to crew on? Give us details on experience and time availability...**

**We will set up a list to see if we can bring skippers and crew together before the season is upon us.**

**Send email or fax to the numbers and address shown above.**

#### **Did you know what the ancient Viking boat sails were made of ?**

You may have seen pictures of the distinctive square-sailed vessels the ancient Vikings sailed across the North Sea and out into the Atlantic Ocean. It was with those sails that Vikings made long journeys as far as North America and the eastern Mediterranean Sea.

The Vikings' homeland was not well supplied with plant crops that could supply fibers to weave into sails, but there were plenty of furry animals in that northern climate. Instead of plant fibers, they used wool. The long, strong outer hairs of the sheep were twisted into thin strands for the warp of the wool twill sailcloth, while the perpendicular weft was made of the soft inner hairs. To make the sails water-resistant, the Vikings added tar and fat to the cloth. Their simple square-rigged sails carried them farther than any previous European ocean explorers.

Dennis Neufeld

#### **At the bitter end**

To guard against accidental loss of the anchor, the bitter (inboard) end of the anchor rode should be made fast to some part of the boat. You may do this by leading the line below, perhaps through a deck pipe, and securing it to a strong point with an eye bolt or similar fastener. On small boats where the entire length of rode is carried on deck, you can have an eye splice in the bitter end to fit a securely fastened ring or eyebolt. In any case, make sure the bitter end is fastened, but always have handy a means of cutting the anchor line in an emergency - even if you think you could unfasten it quickly.

#### **How many, how heavy?**

The number of anchors you should carry depends upon several things - the size of your boat, whether it is used only in familiar sheltered waters or cruises to many harbours and, to some extent, the type of anchor. Some small boats have only a single anchor, but this cannot be considered adequate. Even discounting the possibility of fouling one anchor so badly that it cannot be retrieved, there are occasions when it is desirable to lie to two. Consider the possibility that one anchor heavy enough for extreme conditions could be a nuisance in ordinary weather.

Taken from Chapman Piloting...