



# **FRASER SQUADRON**

**A UNIT OF CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS – PACIFIC MAINLAND DISTRICT**  
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## **Meeting Agenda** **Tuesday October 17, 2017** **Training Room Trites Rd. – 1905-2055**

**Attendees:** Byron and Donalda Buie, Gouri Chinnappa, Barb Dymond, , Bill Hawryluk, Peter Lefroy, Dave Mellis, Vidas Vitkus,

**Regrets:** Dave and Willina Collins, Rick Easthom, Bob Everson, Chao Huang, Bob Juulsen, Michael Li, Lucy Liu, Nan Lockie, Jan and Les Muller, Cleve Pryde, Jack Tang, Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood, Sherwin Wang, Meredith Williamson.

**Guests:** None.

**Chair:** Peter Lefroy

**Minutes:** Gouri Chinnappa

### **Call to order – 1905 hrs**

- 1) **Roll Call** – Welcome to Bridge members
- 2) **Previous Minutes** - Motion to Accept Vidas Vitkus; Seconded by Barb Dymond
- 3) **Business arising from previous minutes**

- None.

### **4) Officer Reports**

#### **a) Commanders report - (Peter Lefroy)**

The following was sent by email:

I attended the first PMD meeting of the fall October 2. Topics for discussion included Operations Training, WBAS replacement, the Vancouver Boat Show, CPS Simulator, Member Benefits and the National AGM.

If anyone on our Bridge would like to have training regarding their bridge position then they should contact Gary Clow at PMD and if there is enough interest an Operations Training day will be organized.

PMD is also looking for ideas to make the CPS-ECP booth at the boat show more attractive. It was suggested that a member benefit sign be created to highlight the advantages of belonging to CPS. It was also suggested that it would be a great idea to sign up new members right at the show with a

temporary membership so that they could immediately take advantage of CPS discounts at participating retailers. Unfortunately CPS systems prevent this from happening.

Various squadrons gave reports about their registration numbers for fall classes and it seems that those who offer a combined Boating 2 and Boating 3 option are quite successful. For example Langley had 17 students, North Shore 16 students, Port Moody 14 students and Vancouver 20 students. This is something which we definitely need to discuss. The total registration for PMD for fall 2017 is 181 students.

Vancouver Squadron is offering Mandarin Classes through Blackfish Marine. The person running the classes has a website with some dubious connections. Roger Middleton from Vancouver Squadron and Byron Buie are in the process of looking into this. Burnaby Squadron is also looking into ways to offer a Mandarin PCOC course.

District membership is down 5% which is the average across the country but Fraser Squadron is bucking the national trend by being up 11%. Congratulations to us!

The PMD financial report shows that they have an operating deficit of \$9000.00 in 2017. Last year at this time their deficit was only \$5000.00. They do however have investments of approximately \$57,000.00.

There was much discussion about the structure of PMD and whether or not it should be changed. This has been an ongoing issue for many years and it seems like it will continue. Already there have been some organizational changes as there is now only one North Shore Squadron and Burnaby, Coquitlam and New Westminster are operating with one combined bridge. I have printed copies of the discussion notes for anyone who would like to read them.

The RVCC numbers are continuing to decline every year in the Pacific Mainland District. This is not the case across the country as some districts have had dramatic increases. It is recognized that to run an RVCC day and in fact several RVCC days takes a tremendous amount of time and effort on everyone's part.

See you all at the Ukrainian Dinner on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

**b) Executive Officer - (Cleve Pryde)**

Absent.

**c) Multicultural Officer - (Chao Huang)**

Absent.

**d) Treasurer - (Meredith Williamson)**

Absent. However, the following was sent by email:

The Fraser Squadron account balance is \$21, 407.28; note that this does not include recently written cheques to CPS – the amounts of which are noted in the cheque book that Barb Dymond has with her. We had two recent cheques, one to CPS for our month end balance and then we sent \$300 to the CPS Foundation.

If anyone needs to be reimbursed, Barb has the cheque book and I signed three cheques, so they are ready for Peter's signature.

Additionally, Kathleen sent me a supply order invoice in the amount of \$532.00 on Sunday, so that cheque has not been sent yet.

Regarding the banner for RVCC & Flare Day, the best image that we have of the Fraser Burgee is a photograph that I believe Bob E. took. When the sign maker showed me the mock up, (see attachment), it still looks like a photograph, wrinkles and all, rather than truly good image of the burgee. If anyone knows where we can get a better image, that may be best. Let me know your feedback.

#### **e) Membership Officer - (Vidas Vitkus)**

The following was sent by email:

Associate: 7  
Regular Life: 19  
Regular Lady: 24  
Regular: 257  
Total: 307

Unpaid October: 57

List attached:

I looked into being able to manage member account, in regards to unsubscribe lady from receiving magazine, but I don't have access to the accounts details. I only have access to the address, email and phone.

\*Peter noted that if a member payed on April 1<sup>st</sup>, it is counted as not payed until March next year. That is why so many people seem to be not payed, even though they have payed.

#### **f) Multicultural Membership Officer - (Michael Li)**

Absent.

#### **g) Secretary- (Gouri Chinnappa)**

Nothing to report.

#### **h) Education Officers - (Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood)**

Absent. However, the following was sent by email:

- On May 9, June 20, July 17, Aug 14 and Sept 18, we conducted further PCOC exams for Mandarin students. At each exam sitting, we normally have 7 students writing the exam. All students continue to do very well. Marks are between 44 and 50 out of a possible 50.
- In Richmond, there was no registration for the fall Boating 1 (Basic Boating), nor for the second level (Beyond the PCOC). We will see what interest there may be for the 3<sup>rd</sup> level (Introduction to

Navigation).

- In Ladner (Delta), we are currently in partnership with the Delta Parks & Recreation Commission. We plan to have our winter/spring courses included in the Delta Leisure Services brochure. Due to time constraints on the part of Fraser Squadron, our information did not get included for the fall printing. There was no registration for the Boating 1 (Basic Boating), and only one for the second level (Beyond the PCOC). We will see what interest there may be for the 3<sup>rd</sup> level.
- With respect to Boating 1, 2 and 3, we plan to repeat these course offerings in January 2018. Boating 1 will begin Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup> in Richmond and Thursday January 4<sup>th</sup> in Ladner. Regarding the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> level of the Boating courses, we plan on combining Boating 2 & 3 as there is material repeated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> level that would have already been presented in the 2<sup>nd</sup> level. The Boating 2 & 3 will begin Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> at our Richmond location and Thursday February 1<sup>st</sup> at the Ladner location (Ladner Community Center).
- The course outline (for the Delta location) for the winter and spring of 2018, including the Boating 1 course and the now combined Boating 2 & 3 course, has been submitted to the Delta Leisure Services for inclusion in their winter/spring brochure.
- The one day VHF course continues to be very successful. The next course will begin in January, 2018, the first one being January 27<sup>th</sup>.

**i) Multicultural Training Officer - (Sherwin Wang)**

Absent.

**j) Admin Officer - (Barb Dymond)**

Lets discuss the Christmas party.

\*\*\*After much discussion, it was decided that the Christmas party would be a potluck, where people are asked to bring sides/salads/appetizers, etc. The cost will be \$10 per person, and this will include 1 drink. Payment will be made at the door. Someone will be hired to pour liquor and a liquor licence will be obtained. Dave will donate 2 hams, which he will bake. 1 or 2 people will be hired to serve, clean up, etc. Many other details were discussed: games, dinnerware, 50/50 draw, etc. Peter will write up a notice that Vidas will send as an email blast. Also this info will be sent to Bob E. to put on the website.

**k) Multicultural Communications - (Lucy Liu)**

Absent.

**l) Cruise Master - (Dave & Willina Collins)**

Absent.

**m) Regalia Officer - (Donalda Buie)**

Nothing to report.

**n) Environmental Officer - (Les Muller)**

Absent.

**o) Fairlead Editors – (Paul Vanderwood)**

Absent.

**p) Multicultural Officer and Assistant Officer - (Jack Tang and Rick Easthom)**

Absent.

**q) Supplies and Training - (Bill Hawryluk)**

Everything is up to date.

**r) Port Captain - (Peter Lefroy)**

The following was sent by email:

There is a rumour that the City of Vancouver may be looking at turning False Creek into a no boating zone. Given the number of marinas which exist in the Creek and the complicated jurisdiction of the Creek I do not see how this is possible. But who knows?

**s) Webmaster/WBAS - (Bob Everson)**

Absent.

**t) Public Relations - (Jan Muller)**

Absent.

**5) New Business**

**a. Dave**

- Dave let us know that he is willing to volunteer if any help is needed in the squadron.

**6) Adjournment**

- **Time:** 2055hrs
- **Motion By:** Dave Mellis; **Seconded by:** Donalda Buie.