

The Beacon



Saanich Peninsula Squadron



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A Unit of Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons — Vancouver Island South District**

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When everything's coming your way, you're in the shipping lane.



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Commander	Cdr John Hudson	655-3653	commander*
Past Commander	P/Cdr Gay Miller	656-5190	pastcommander
Executive Officer	Lt/Cdr Ted Meadley	655-1082	executive
Training Officer	Lt/Cdr Richard Funnell	704-9026	training
Treasurer	1 st Lt Colin Nicholson	656-5085	treasurer
Secretary	1 st Lt Kathy Phillips	656-2404	secretary
Membership Officer	1 st Lt Tony Kluge	656-7032	membership
Public Relations Officer	1 st Lt Cynthia Funnell	655-4442	pro
MAREP Officer	1 st Lt Len Burton	656-6450	marep
Privacy Officer	1 st Lt Tony Kluge	656-7032	privacy
Chief Proctor	Lt Dawna Burton	656-6450	chiefproctor
Assistant Training Officer	P/Cdr Hugh Richards	656-9227	ato
Environmental Officer	Lt Warren Franklin	655-0149	environment
Student Cruisemaster	Lt Bill Miller	656-5190	studentcruise
Supply Officer	Lt Dawna Burton	656-6450	supply
Communications Officer	Lt Laura Parker	656-8646	communications
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Webmaster	Lt Anne McKinnell	475-0053	webmaster
Historian	Lt Ralph Hodd	652-1715	archivist
Port Captain	P/Cdr Stephen Denroche	656-6177	portcaptain
Special Events	Lt Lauri Barker	656-6448	specialevents
Auditor	Ed McNulty	658-4778	auditor

***All email addresses are @sppss.org.**

Meetings of the Squadron Executive Committee (the Bridge) are normally held on the **third THURSDAY** of each month at 1900 in the Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club, except in July and December. All members of the Squadron are welcome to attend.

The Beacon is our official newsletter. We also maintain a website www.sppss.org. We suggest you check the site regularly for notices of upcoming events, classified ads, etc. To receive *The Beacon* electronically rather than by mail click

<http://www.sppss.org>.

The contents of this magazine reflect the opinions of the writers and are not necessarily those of the Editor, Canadian Power Squadron or Saanich Peninsula Squadron.

COMMANDER'S CORNER

With this being the Annual General Meeting issue of the Beacon, it is time to reflect on the last year. While a few squadrons are in need of support through the "Squadron at Risk – a Guide to Recovery" Program, I am very happy to report that this squadron is alive and well, functioning just like a Swiss watch. We have instigated new functions or ones that have not been attempted recently, like the lecture series (thank you **Laura Parker**) and the picnic/boating swap meet (thank you **Cynthia Funnell** and her organizing group). In achieving this I would first of all like to thank the membership for feeling that our principle cause of teaching safe boating is worthy of their support and secondly our current Bridge for making it all happen.



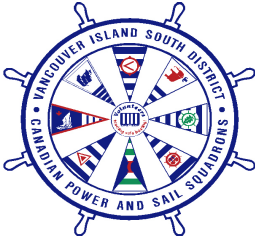
It is with sadness that we are loosing Executive Officer **Ted Meadley** to our Bridge as he prefers a role in instructing as opposed to administration, **Colin Nicholson** after serving three years as Treasurer has accepted the position of District Treasurer, Special Events Officer **Lauri Barker** intends to keep volunteering in support of our social programs and lastly Student Cruise-master **Bill Miller** who has served for two years. I would like to especially thank **Joyce Hodd** who has put the Beacon together since 2002 but who now wishes to step down.

At the time of writing this article for the previous Beacon, we did not have the fall *Boating* and *Piloting* course results. I would now like to congratulate the 23 *Boating* course and 9 *Piloting* course graduates and welcome aboard those *Boating* graduates that joined the squadron.

As I am about to go sailing off-shore and this has to be timed ahead of the hurricane season, our Bridge suggested that we try holding a joint spring graduation and Annual General Meeting like some other squadrons have so that I can attend both. This will be on Monday April 23rd, 2007 and I hope to see you there. While discussing AGM's, I would like to point out that the District AGM will be held at Saanichton Fair grounds on Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5th, 2007 and is open to all squadron members. It is free if one does not want to attend the luncheon. More details are contained in this issue. Best wishes for a great summer boating season.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JH', followed by a small drawing of a sailboat.

John Hudson
Commander



Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons
Vancouver Island South District
Annual General Meeting and Conference
Friday & Saturday May 4-5, 2007
Main Building Saanich Fairgrounds,
1528 Stelly's Cross Road, Saanichton, B.C.

REGISTRATION FORM

Final Date to ensure conference registration is April 30, 2007

Hotel Registration: Need accommodation? The following are convenient to the AGM site:
Quality Inn (Waddling Dog).....2476 Mt. Newton X Rd., Saanichton 250-652-1146
Super 8 Hotel.....2477 Mt. Newton X Rd., Saanichton 250-652-6888
Western 66 Motel.....2401 Mt. Newton X Rd., Saanichton 250-652-4464

Registrant information:

NAMERANK
SQUADRON.....DISTRICT.....
ADDRESS.....CITY.....
PROV/STATEPOSTAL/ZIP CODE.....
EMAILPHONE.....

Saturday morning meetings and AGM in the afternoon are open to all CPS members at no cost, and registration is not required. However, if you wish to attend the Friday night Meet and Greet or the Saturday lunch, that requires payment and pre-registration.

Friday, May 4th Meet & Greet #’s X \$10.00 =

Saturday, May 5th Lunch #’s..... X \$20.00 =

Total enclosed

Dress code: Friday evening, May 4, 2007: CPS Casual
Dress code: Saturday May 5, 2007: Blazer ensemble (w/gray or white pants/skirt)

PLEASE SEND YOUR REGISTRATION AND PAYMENTS TO:

D/C Shirley Hamilton, 211-490 Marsett Place, Victoria BC V8Z 7J1
Checks should be made payable to Vancouver Island South District

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- Mar 18 **VISD District Bridge Meeting, Commanders' Meeting, Training Meeting** - 1030 - Saanich Fairgrounds (check to see which room)
- VISD District Council Meeting** - 1230 Saanich Fair - Poplar Room
- Mar 29 **Lecture** "The British Canals: The Four Counties Ring" for information:
<http://www.sppss.org/notices.htm#lecture>
- Apr 6,7,8 **Easter Cruise** - 6-Genoa Bay, 7-Telegraph Harbour, 8-Maple Bay Marina
contact Gay & Bill Miller @ 656-5190 or oceanime@telus.net.
- Apr 19 **SPS Bridge Meeting** - 1900 hours SNSYC. All members are welcome
- Apr 19-22 **BCYBA Victoria Harbour Floating Boat Show**. For more info see pg 19
- Apr 23 **SPS General Meeting and Spring Graduation** - 1900 hours SNSYC,
1949 Marina Way, North Saanich. All members are welcome.
- Apr 26 **Dinner/Lecture** - 1700 SNS Yacht Club "Ionian Odyssey Sailing to
the Archaeological Sites of the Turkish Coast". *Featured dinner cuisine: Greek*
- VISD Conference and Annual General Meeting**
Main Building, Saanich Fairgrounds, 1528 Stellys Cross Rd, Saanichton
- May 4 1900-2200 - **District Meet and Greet** - \$10.00 per person. Guest speaker
Dave Denton, President **Victoria Model Ship Building Society**.
**"A sober look at the rules of the road and a pilot's perspective in the
interaction between pleasure boats and large ships."**
CPS Casual - Light finger-food buffet - cash bar - CPS casual
Requires pre-registration. (See pg 3 for Registration form)
- May 5 0900-1700 - **District AGM** ALL MEETINGS ARE FREE
- 1200-1330 - **Lunch** \$20.00 per person. Cordon bleu, vegetable lasagna, 3
salads, desserts, coffee, tea. Blazer ensemble with gray or white bottoms.
Requires pre-registration
- May 6 **VISD Bridge Breakfast** - Info. TBA
- May 17 **SPS Bridge Meeting** - 1900 hours SNSYC. All members are welcome.



SAANICH PENINSULA SQUADRON
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Take notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Saanich Peninsula Squadron will be held at the Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club, 1949 Marina Way, Sidney, BC on **Monday, April 23rd, 2007** at **1930 hours** for the purpose of:

- (1) Receiving and, if thought fit, approving the report of the Officers of the Squadron;
- (2) Receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the Squadron for the twelve month period ending March 31st, 2007, and the Report of the Squadron Auditor thereon;
- (3) Electing the Officers of the Squadron;
- (4) Appointing the Squadron Auditor;
- (5) Considering such further business as may properly come before the meeting.

The Report of the Squadron Nominating Committee is attached to and forms part of this Notice. Under Squadron Regulation 12.1, any further nominations must be made by way of a petition, in writing, signed by not less than 5 Members of this Squadron who shall confirm the consent of the nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than 2 days prior to the date of this Meeting.

Date this _____ day of _____, 2007

(original signed by)

Kathy Phillips
Squadron Secretary



SAANICH PENINSULA SQUADRON
UNIT OF
CANADIAN POWER
AND SAIL SQUADRONS
P O BOX 2122, SIDNEY, B.C. V8L 3S6



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SAANICH PENINSULA SQUADRON
REPORT OF THE SQUADRON NOMINATING COMMITTEE

March 13, 2007

1. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers for 2007/2008:

Commander (Cdr)	John Hudson 11290 Ravenscroft Place North Saanich, BC, V8L 6R4 250-655-3653
Executive Officer	Len Burton 2035 Weiler Avenue Sidney, BC, V8L 1R3 250-656-6450
Training Officer	Richard Funnell 11474 Sumac Drive North Saanich, BC, V8L 5J8 250-704-9026
Secretary	Kathy Phillips 1367 Sangster Road North Saanich, BC, V8L 5T6 250-656-2416
Treasurer	Ralph Hodd 7231 Early Place Brentwood, BC, V8M 1J9 250-652-1715
Public Relations Officer	Cynthia Funnell 11474 Sumac Drive North Saanich, BC, V8L 5J8 250-655-4442

MAREP (Hydrographic) Officer Len Burton
2035 Weiler Avenue
Sidney, BC, V8L 1R3
250-656-6450

Membership Officer Tony Kluge
9487 Canora Road
Sidney, BC, V8L 1P3
250-656-7032

2. The squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following Members for the appointment by the Members as Auditor of the Squadron:

Ed McNulty
#301 – 338 Goldstream Avenue
Victoria, BC, V9B 2W3
250-598-5654

3. The Squadron Nominating Committee advises that, if elected, the Nominee for Commander intends to appoint the following Members as Staff Officers:

Assistant Training Officer Bryan Atkinson
10807 Madrona Dr
North Saanich, BC, V8L 5P1
250- 483-6844

Course Registrar Bryan Atkinson
10807 Madrona Dr
North Saanich, BC, V8L 5P1
250- 483-6844

Chief Proctor Dawna Burton
2035 Weiler Avenue
Sidney, BC, V8L 1R3
250-656-6450

Privacy Officer Tony Kluge
9487 Canora Road
Sidney, BC, V8L 1P3
250-656-7032

Supply Officer Dawna Burton
2035 Weiler Avenue
Sidney, BC, V8L 1R3
250-656-6450

Communications Officer	Laura Parker 2177 Malaview Avenue Sidney, BC, V8L 2E6 250-656-8646
Port Captain	Stephen Denroche 8623 Moxon Terr Sidney, BC, V8L 1K8 250-656-6177
Webmaster	Anne McKinnell 914 Stafford Street Victoria, BC, V8X 2V8 250-475-0053
Special Events	Cynthia Funnell 11474 Sumac Drive North Saanich, BC, V8L 5J8 250-655-4442
Student Cruisemaster	No nomination identified, will be filled by appointment
Beacon Editor	Laura Parker 2177 Malaview Avenue Sidney, BC, V8L 2E6 250-656-8646
Environment Officer	Warren Franklin 105006 Allbay Road Sidney, BC, V8L 2P4 250-655-0149
Historian	Ralph Hodd 7231 Early Place Brentwood, BC, V8M 1J9 250-652-1715

4. The nominating Committee also advises that:

(a) the following Member will serve on the Squadron Executive Committee by virtue of her position as Past Commander, and does not require election or appointment:

Gay Miller
1989 Barrett Drive
Sidney, BC, V8L 1A5
250-656-5190

(b) pursuant to Squadron Regulation 9.14.1, the following Members will serve on the Squadron Nominating Committee for 2008/2009 by virtue of their position, and do not require election or nomination

P/Cdr Gay Miller, Chairman
P/Cdr Ken Clarke
Cdr John Hudson

Respectfully submitted

(original signed by)

P/Cdr Gay Miller

(original signed by)

P/Cdr Ken Clarke

(original signed by)

Cdr John Hudson

IMPORTANT INFO - ATTENTION! *From D/C Shirley Hamilton*
SUPPORT YOUR SQUADRON AND THIS DISTRICT

We lack support for our social or formal functions that we hold. Speaking for Districts difficulty in this area, we hold only two functions that need your support. We have the **Annual AGM in May** each year. We need you to attend in order to make it viable financially and rewarding for the organizers. We do our very best to keep the costs to an acceptable level for your participation. This year the AGM is being held on **May 4-5, 2007 at the Saanich Fairgrounds. Our Meet & Greet on Friday evening is only \$10.00 per person.** Without proper support we may have to cancel this event, so please get a group together and help us out. The AGM luncheon on Saturday May 5th is \$20.00 per person, and we would welcome your support there as well.

Please see **Registration Form** page 3

Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons Escadrilles Canadiennes de Plaisance

Special Projects Committee Comite de Projets Speciaux



Revised: January 21, 2007

Subject: CPS-ECP Brand Name Contest **The Collective Energies of CPS-ECP Members Redefine Our Image**

Welcome to the CPS-ECP Brand Name Contest. As part of our organization's five year plan, the Special Project Committee is asking for all members to participate in redefining our brand name.

This contest will commence January 31st and will conclude with a vote by all delegates at the 2007 conference in Ottawa to select our new brand name.

Four Objectives:

1. Brand Name:

Develop a singular CPS-ECP Brand Name

2. Brand Logo:

Develop a singular CPS-ECP Brand Logo

3. Tag Line:

Develop a singular CPS-ECP "Tag Line" with a French and English version.

4. Graphics Standards:

Develop graphic standards for future use of the brand name, brand logo, tag lines, official names and official crest

Definitions:

Legal Name:

CPS-ECP has two "legal names" being "Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons" and "les escadrilles canadiennes de plaisance"
In the future, the use of these names will be limited to legal documents only (where required).

Brand Name:

The name used by staff and volunteers of CPS-ECP when referencing our organization as part of "day to day" activity
The name we want the public, our members, government and the marine industry to think of us by.

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CPS Toll Free Line: 888-CPS-BOAT
CPS Web page: <http://www.cps-ecp.ca>

Definitions (continued):

Tag Line:

The text found below our Brand Name or Brand Logo which describes “*who we are and what we do*”.

The same tag line is used with French and English variations.

Example “*Volunteers Teaching Safe Boating*”

Official Crest:

CPS-ECP’s “official crest”, limited to being displayed on our blazer uniform, awards and historical artefacts.

Brand Logo:

The singular visual representation of our organization to be used by staff and volunteers of CPS-ECP as part of “day to day” activity

The visual image we want the public, our members, government and the marine industry to recognize us by.

The logo is made up of two components:

Our pennant as portrayed by a “flat flag”

Our brand name

Background:

We have a rich history as Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons. Equally, we are known as Escadrilles canadiennes de plaisance, Canadian Power Squadrons, CPS, ECP and CPS-ECP. To add to the confusion, we have multiple logos and tag lines.

To solidify our future public image, the organization wishes to project a singular brand name and logo that represents all of Canada.

Contest Details:

1. Who is eligible to enter?

Anyone (member or non-member) may enter the contest.

2. What must I do?

Develop a new brand name to be used by CPS-ECP at the Squadron, District and National levels.

3. How will the new brand name be used?

The new brand name will be the singular name used by the organization.

The use of the names “Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons” and “les escadrilles canadiennes de plaisance” will be limited to legal documents when required.

The names Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons, les escadrilles canadiennes de plaisance, CPS, ECP and CPS-ECP will cease being used in “day to day” activities.

The new brand name will be a component of the new official brand logo along with the “flat flag”.

4. How will the judging occur?

The judging panel will be comprised of 6 people representing our membership, the boating industry and the general public.
Entries submitted by April 30th will be reviewed with 2-3 finalists selected.
The finalists will be presented at the June Governing Board meeting and announced to Squadrons and Districts immediately afterwards.
Squadrons and Districts will consult their members, make their choice as to a new brand name and instruct their delegate to the National AGM.
Delegates at the National AGM in October will participate in a formal vote October 27th during the AGM to select our new brand name.

5. What criteria will be used by the judges?

The judging will be on the following basis:

Must:

The new brand name must represent all Canadians inclusive and all ranges of both official languages.

Should:

As the new brand name will be imbedded into the logo a shorter name will have better chance of being successful. The new brand name should link to the history of CPS-ECP. The new brand name should suggest "boating" in some manner

6. What are the deadlines for the contest?

January 31st: SPC to start accepting contest entries.

April 30th: Last date for Special Project Committee to receive entries

June 9th: 2 to3 "finalist" brand names to be presented to OpCom and Governing Board

June 11th: "finalist" brand names announced to the Membership, Squadrons & Districts

October 15th: Squadrons and districts make their selection from the finalists and instruct their delegates to the National AGM.

October 27th: Delegates at the AGM vote for the new brand name.

January 11th, 2008: CPS-ECP launches new brand name

7. How do I submit my contest entry?

You may submit your entry by e-mail or general mail as follows:

Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons
26 Golden Gate Court
Scarborough, Ontario
Canada, M1P 3A5
Attn: Branding Contest
brandingcontest@cps-ecp.ca

*Note: We will acknowledge receipt of all entries. If you do not hear back from us after submitting your entry, please contact Headquarters to confirm.

8. How do I get further information regarding the CPS-ECP Branding Contest?

The Special Projects Committee will manage a question-answer discussion area of **CPS-ECP Forums** under the subject:

CPS-ECP Forums » General Discussion » Launch of CPS-ECP Branding Project

As well, articles will be placed in our magazine and information supplied to our Members, Squadrons and Districts via direct mail.

Any questions issued to the Special Projects Committee will be answered on the Forum.

Now is your chance to be an integral part of our future by participating in CPS-ECP Brand Name Contest.

Respectfully Submitted,

Special Project Committee Members
Jean-Luc Lemieux, Levis, Quebec
Gary Millman, Kitchener, Ontario
Dan Payne, St. Andrews, Manitoba
Shirley Shea, White Rock, BC
Henry (Hank) Smith, Gravenhurst, Ontario

Jeff Evans
Chair, Special Projects Committee

Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons

Vancouver Island South District Annual General Meeting and Conference

Schedule of Events

0900-1130	Registration Desk – Upper floor
0900-1000	Social coffee and refreshments – Upper floor, Poplar Room
1000-1130	Training Meeting - Upper floor, Poplar Room Commanders Meetings – Upper floor, Oak Room
1130-1200	Awards – Dinning room, main floor
1200-1330	Cash Bar
1215-1330	Luncheon
1330-1630	VISD AGM & COW





VANCOUVER ISLAND SOUTH DISTRICT



To: The Members of Vancouver Island South District, Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting of Vancouver Island South District will be held in the Main building on the Saanich Fairgrounds, 1528 Stelly's Cross Road, Saanichton, B.C. on Saturday, May 5, 2007, 13:30 to 16:30 for the purposes of:

- (a) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Reports of the Officers of the District;
- (b) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the District for the twelve-month period ending March 31, 2006, and the Report of the District Auditor thereon;
- (c) considering and, if thought fit, adopting any Resolution(s) that may be submitted within the required time-frame.
- (d) Electing the Officers of the District;
- (e) Appointing the District Auditor;
- (f) Considering such further and other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

The Report of the District Nominating Committee is attached to, and forms part of, this Notice. Under District Regulation 12.1, any further nominations must be made by way of a petition, in writing, signed by not less than 5 members of this Squadron who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the District Secretary not less than 2 days prior to the date of this Meeting.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2007

(Original signed by D/Secretary, Pat Moar)

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District Secretary

N.B.: Saturday May 5, 2007 09:00 to 11:30 will be taken up with meetings of the Training Dept. and Squadron Commanders. Please register prior to April 30, 2007 if you wish to attend the Luncheon. Registration forms and Agenda are available on the District Web Site www.visd.org or contact a District Bridge member.

CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS
VANCOUVER ISLAND SOUTH DISTRICT

REPORT OF DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MARCH 13, 2007

To: The Members, Vancouver Island South District:

1. The District Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as District Officers on the District Executive Committee for 2007/2008

District Commander:

D/C Beverley Gerry (Pender Island), 202 – 2050 White Birch Rd., Sidney, B.C. V8L 2R1
(250) 654-0230

District Executive Officer:

When filled this position will be posted on the VISD Web site

District Training Officer:

D/Lt/C Marti Tilley (Pender Island) 1615 Storm Cresc., Pender Island, B.C. V0N 2M2
(250) 629-6767

District Administrative Officer:

When filled this position will be posted on the VISD Web site

District Secretary:

D/Lt Loraine Nicholson 312 – 9650 First St., Sidney, B.C. V8L 3C9
(250) 656-5085

District Treasurer:

D/Lt Colin Nicholson (Saanich Peninsula) 312 – 9650 First St., Sidney, B.C. V8L 3C9
(250) 656-5085

D/Public Relations Officer:

D/Lt David Gay (Victoria) 3990 Locarno Lane, Victoria, B.C. V8N 4A1
(250) 472-0601

D/Membership/Privacy Officer:

D/Lt Barry Gifford (SK) 5731 Siasong Road, Sooke, B.C. V0S 1N0
(250) 642-6840

D/Marep (Hydrographic) Officer:

D/Lt Len Burton (Saanich Peninsula) 2035 Weiler Ave., Sidney, B.C. V8L 1R3
(250) 656-6450

2. The District Nominating Committee also nominates the following Members for election as District Officers, with the rank of District Lieutenant, who, if elected, will have the duties indicated next to their names assigned to them by the District Executive Committee pursuant to District Regulation 6.2.1 (a):

Roster Editor:

P/D/C Shirley Hamilton (Victoria) 211 – 490 Marsett Place, Victoria, B.C. V8Z 7J1
(250) 658-6366

Environmental Officer:

D/Lt Sara Steil (Pender Island) 6604 Harbour Hill Rd., Pender Island, B.C. V0N 2M1
(250) 629-6885

Historian:

D/Lt Ralph Hodd (Saanich Peninsula) 7231 Early Place, Brentwood Bay, B.C. V8M 1J9
(250) 652-1715

Supply Officer:

D/Lt Dawna Burton (Saanich Peninsula) 2035 Weiler Ave., Sidney, B.C. V8L 1R3
(250) 656-6450

Telephone Answering:

D/Lt Pat Moar (Victoria) 521 Paradise St., Victoria, B.C. V9A 5E3
(250) 384-8990

Port Captain:

D/Lt Glenn Driscoll (Oak Bay) 2370 Pacific Ave., Victoria, B.C. V8R 2V7
(250) 592-4693

3. The District Nominating Committee also nominates the following Member for appointment by the Members as Auditor of the District:

Mr Edward McNulty 301-338 Goldstream Ave., Victoria, B.C. V9B 2W3
(250) 598-5654

4. The District Nominating Committee advises that, if elected, the Nominee for Commander intends to appoint the following Members as staff officers with the rank of Staff Lieutenant:**Web Master:**

S/Lt Mike Baker (Brentwood Bay) 7941 West Saanich Road, Saanichton, B.C. V8M 1S4
(250) 652-8507

Roster Advertising Coordinator & Asst. Roster Editor:

S/Lt George Silvestrini (Oak Bay) 1047 Parkwood Place, Victoria, B.C. V8X 4Z8
(250) 658-4223

Maritime Radio Officer:

(S/Lt) P/D/Lt/C Barrie Gilbertson (Victoria) 13 Camden Ave., Victoria, B.C. V8Z 1P6
(250) 479-5850

Assistant MAREP Officer

S/Lt Dawna Burton (Saanich Peninsula) 2035 Weiler Ave., Sidney, B.C. V8L 1R3
(250) 656-6450

Canadian Coast Guard Liaison:

P/D/C Ken Clarke (Saanich Peninsula) 2020 Lands End Rd., North Saanich, B.C. V8L 5J2
(250) 656-9251

Communications Officer:

P/D/C Don Lassey (Sooke) Box 762, 7163 Cedar Brook Pl., Sooke, B.C. V0S 1N0
(250) 642-6504

6. The District Nominating Committee also advises that:

(a) The following Member will serve on the District Executive Committee and the District Council by virtue of her position as Immediate Past District Commander, and does not require election or appointment:

P/D/C Shirley Hamilton, SN (Victoria)
211-490 Marsett Pl., Victoria, B.C. V8Z 7J1
(250) 658-6366

(b) Pursuant to District Regulation 9.15.1, the following Members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for 2007/2008 by virtue of their position, and do not require election or appointment:

I/P/D/C Shirley Hamilton (Victoria) Chair
P/D/C Don Lassey (Sooke)
D/C Beverley Gerry (Pender Island)

Respectfully submitted,

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(Original Signed By)

I/P/D/C Don Lassey
(Chair)

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(Original Signed By)

D/C Shirley Hamilton
(Member)

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(Original Signed By)

P/D/C Peter Jennings
(Member)

DID YOU KNOW...

While it is easy to get tide information from the Fisheries and Ocean web site, <http://www.waterlevels.gc.ca/english/Canada.shtml>, a member recently enquired about the availability of current information (The web page is entitled "Tides, Currents and Water levels"). He had a very nice and prompt response from a Mr. Monahan who said:

"The CHS web site is a work in progress At present, there are a few select current files containing the full year's worth of current data available on our web site. Unfortunately, they are not prominently displayed under a link called "Currents" but rather buried on the main Water levels web site. At the main CHS water levels website if you click on the "Data Available" link and then click on the "NEW Tide tables available in PDF format" link and scroll down the page you will find some current station data there. The Active Pass data is in volume 5 of our printed Tide and Current Tables and so it is found under Volume 5 on this web site. This is the link directly to that web page. http://www.waterlevels.gc.ca/english/Pr%E9dic_PDF_Ang.shtml "

It should be noted that the French "Courant" is used on this web page for "Current".

BULLETIN BOARD

We Are Boating To Nanaimo – And YOU Are Invited! Len and Dawna aboard *Dawna II* (power boat) along with Ron and Janice aboard *Figment Too* (sailboat) are departing Sidney BC (Tsehum Harbour) on Saturday, July 7 and returning on Sunday, July 15. We cordially invite you to join us.



Our goal is to have fun and de-mystify cruising! If you have never ventured past Saltspring Island, then this trip is for you. We will take the fear out of Dodd Narrows & Gabriola Passage. We will travel in fleet; sailboats will sail (wind permitting) and power boats will do what they do best – power. We will plan strategic stopovers, meet for briefings before setting out and debrief at the end of the day. You will re-unite yourselves with your charts and other navigational aids (remember your *Boating* class). Husbands and wives, you can even work on verbal communication skills and perhaps your hand signals!

We are in the preliminary planning stages and want to make arrangements at preferred marinas to visit or stop over. Are you interested? Do you have questions? Please call or email ASAP to:

Len & Dawna 656-6450 dlburt@shaw.ca
Ron & Janice 384-6588 H2HZoo@shaw.ca



Boating Safety Specialist Program: Would you like to be trained and part of a volunteer program that promotes boating safety? If so, interested volunteers would be put through *training sessions by Transport Canada* which would include a written test and a practical test aboard a vessel.

If you would like further information or if you are interested in being a volunteer, please email your name, phone number, address, and email address to John Hudson, Commander, commander@sppss.org by Monday March 5th and he will get back to you about it.



Kudos to Dave Jackson at CHS. He does more for this Squadron than you can imagine. He represented Len Burton in the name of Saanich Peninsula Squadron when he was incapacitated .

BCYBA, Victoria Harbour Floating Boat Show April 19 - 22, 2007

Vancouver Island South District has taken over the volunteer coordination from our Squadron this year. How would you like to be involved and volunteer for a shift or two to help them out?!

The main point of doing it at all is that District will receive some financial reward for doing it, which in turn can be spent on advertising on behalf of the squadrons in the district to encourage boating and advanced classes enrolment!! And...it is an amazing event and a lot of fun is had by all!

- April 19-22 2007 at Ships Point and at the entrance to the Causeway docks.
- 1000 to 1900 from Thursday to Saturday, and 1000 to 1700 on Sunday.
- Briefly the duties are to put wrist-bands on paying visitors, and check at the exits for people leaving or attempting to gain entrance without wrist-bands.
- No one has to handle cash and everyone is covered by Liability Insurance.

We require 12 people per day for 4 days, less if they do longer than 3-hour shifts.

If you are **interested** and would like to help out, **please email your name and phone number to John Hudson**, Commander, Saanich Peninsula Squadron

commander@spss.org by this **Saturday evening** and he will get back to you about it. Thank you! ENJOY!!

Click here for the boat show website:

<http://www.bcmta.com/bcyba/04shows/vicboatshow/index.html>

BON VOYAGE FROM THE EDITOR *(By Ralph and Joyce Hodd)*

It's been fun folks and we learned a lot! As Editor, (Ralph) and Production (Joyce) we read every word in every article on every page of every issue that was printed since Jan 2002. Ask us anything about boating and we have you covered!

It is bittersweet handing The Beacon over to our new Editor Laura Parker. However, we are looking forward to seeing changes in format and layout and maybe some new departments as Laura adds her own personality and touches to this wonderful magazine. To our advertisers, "Thank you for forgiving us if the issue was a bit late and thank you for your support".



To All CPS Members of Vancouver Island South District:

Please understand the importance of volunteering your time and talents for your Squadron and it's importance to the other administrative levels of CPS, District and National.

Volunteering is the very basis for carrying out the mandate of CPS. Without your assistance in the classroom, the public would not be able to receive the best training offered for Boating Safety Education for the price that we offer. Without your assistance on the Squadron Bridge or in any other squadron capacity, the squadron will not carry on with the administrative roles required by CPS. These roles prepare individuals for advancement to other positions on the Squadron Bridge, and upwards to District and National levels.

From my own experience **there is a great deal of satisfaction in learning** from our many courses, and the many positions offered on Squadron Bridges. A learning curve with a **challenge is good** for everyone. It broadens your horizons, and makes you test your abilities to the point that you **bring out the best in yourself** when you try to do something new.

At the moment squadrons in our district are not having problems with holding training classes for *Boating Courses*. We are able to get students. But we are having problems with membership retention. New members from the *Boating* classes are not staying with us for more than one or two years. Members of long standing are leaving, some because they have volunteered so much they are burned out. This whole situation leaves us with leadership and administration problems at the squadron level, and all levels upwards in CPS.

My message today is to the membership to please find the time and interest to support your squadron in any capacity that you can. Several of our squadrons can't find the leadership required to even have a Commander, and may be required to function with the help of another squadron. This may or may not require a squadron to give up their Warrant, depending upon the action taken. National has a new program to help squadrons in difficulty. It is called "Squadrons at Risk". It offers a flexible method of keeping squadrons alive and functioning until they can again stand on their own.

Please plan to attend the **VISD Rendezvous**, which is held yearly in **August at Otter Bay Marina, on Pender Island**. This is truly a social worth attending, and for **\$15.00 per person** with special prices for children, **it's a great deal**. You don't even have to have a boat. You can come Saturday morning by BC ferry, and, after having a wonderful day of games, socializing and a steak BBQ, leave on the 2030 (8:30pm) ferry for home. This event is advertised in your squadron newsletter and in the Roster.

I would like to extend my personal **"THANKS"** to everyone who supported **their Squadron and our District**. You are truly appreciated and valued. To others in the wings, come out and join us. We need you!

D/C Shirley Hamilton, SN
VISD



Editor's Note *"Thanks" to you D/C Hamilton for your hard work and capable leadership!*

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Please call Dave Kerr 656 - 3583, Sidney or e-mail dc.kerr@shaw.ca

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meadleys@shaw.ca

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Covers Inside Passage, Gulf Islands etc. Terry McFall 250-655-7035
exmet@telus.net



WANTED: At a reasonable price an old copy of chart 3513 to complete a chart mosaic. Not for navigation purposes. John Hudson 655-3653 commander@sppss.org

With all the sadness and trauma going on in the world at the moment, it is worth reflecting on the death of a very important person, which almost went unnoticed last month. Larry LaPrise, the man who wrote "The Hokey Pokey" died peacefully at the age of 93. The most traumatic part for his family was getting him into the coffin. They put his left leg in. And then the trouble started.

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