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## **VALLEY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON**

MEMBER OF CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS  
TRAINING IN SAFE POWER AND SAIL BOATING

### **Valley Squadron Bridge Meeting April 14, 2009 Crossroads Restaurant, Abbotsford, BC**

Squadron Administrative Officer, Brian Hanneson, called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.

Attendance:

Gary Clow  
Al Collier  
Bruce Matheson  
Elaine Stevens  
George Stevens  
Fred Walker  
Monica Maletz  
Bill Hopkins  
John Devison

Rob Turner  
Ursula Binkle  
Gus Binkle  
Norm MacDonald  
Mark Procunier  
Sandra Clow  
Ted Blackall  
Ed Veltkamp  
Ron Gillies

Dorothy Matheson  
Ray Salloway  
Larry Nielsen  
Arlene Procunier  
Diane Nielsen  
Brian Hanneson  
Bob Plumtree  
Glen Hurley

*Motion by George Stevens, seconded by Ursula Binkle, to accept the minutes of the March 10, 2009 meeting. Carried.*

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

#### **Commander Gary Clow**

It is a happy commander who can report that things seem to be running smoothly and there are no big problems taking up our time that means all of you are doing a fantastic job.

We are still awaiting pricing on PMD sweatshirts.

Don't forget to sign up for the PMD Change of Watch on May 22-23. For information and forms go either the PMD or Port Moody Squadron websites.

There will be contests at the PMD Change of Watch. Categories will be for Best Picture, Best Newsletter and perhaps more. Unfortunately the organizers forgot about the contests so there are no entry forms or information on the registration website.

Student Graduation is Friday, April 17. Student Cruise is scheduled for Saturday, April 18 but this may change if the weather is bad. There are only 3 students registered. Change of Watch is Thursday, April 23. Change of Watch is a Blues and Greys event.

Thank you for a great year. You have all done a fantastic job and make my job very easy.

**Squadron Administrative Officer Brian Hanneson** – No report.

**Squadron Training Officer Bruce Matheson** – No report.

**Squadron Assistant Training Officer Tony Lamb** – Not present.

**Squadron Secretary Elaine Stevens**

A sympathy card was sent to Carol Lyle.

**Squadron Treasurer Al Collier** – No report.

**Squadron Public Relations Officer Gloria Caplette** - Not present.

**Squadron Supply Officer Brian Hanneson** – No report.

**Squadron Membership Officer George Stevens** – No report.

**Squadron Editor Dorothy Matheson** – No report.

**Squadron Marep/Environmental Ray Salloway** – No report.

**Squadron Cruise Master Ted Blackall** – No report.

**Squadron Socials Sandra Clow**

Our most recent event was a St. Patrick's Day Party held on Saturday March 21st at the Yarrow Hall which was well attended by 69 members. We were treated, after our delicious potluck dinner, to an Irish Dance presentation by a local dance company. Thirteen girls in beautiful outfits with lots of energy got us all in the spirit of St.Paddy's Day. Later, Tony Lamb showed us his video and still shots of a trip of a lifetime dive with great white sharks of the coast of Mexico. Very intimidating! Lots of prizes were given out and even CPS Chief Commander Harry Cole won a prize for being of direct Irish descent! Many thanks to a wonderful group of people who helped set up Saturday morning, a great planning committee headed by Robert Plumtree (good idea to hire those dancers Bob), another wonderful group who helped with cleanup and an excellent group of cooks who made up those lovely dishes of food and dessert. Thanks for your great support of our squadron event.

The next social event will be the Change of Watch banquet at the Rancho in Abbotsford, Thursday April 23 at 1830 hours. Tickets available for \$20.00 tonight.

**Squadron Historian E. Harvey Cooke** - Not present.

**Squadron Auditor Ursula Binkle** – No report.

**Squadron Web Master Mark Procnier** – No report.

**Squadron Past Commander Bruce Matheson** – No report.

**Member at Large Rob Turner** – No report.

**Member at Large Charleen Gregorig** – Not present.

**Member at Large Carol Lyle** – Not present.

**Member at Large Fred Walker** – No report.

**Squadron Training VHF Bryan Stolee** – Not present.

**Squadron Training VHF John Tymoschuk** – Not present.

**Port Captain Cultus Lake/Harrison Dave Hampson** – Not present.

**Port Captain Fraser River/Mission Bill Hopkins** – No report.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Fiberglass Repair**

No update.

#### **BC Ferries Update**

Larry Nielsen reported that 18 people are planning to go on the Dry Land Day Trip to tour the Hydrographic Station in Sydney on April 25.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Use of CPS**

A query was raised if we were in a conflict in the use of the initials CPS as these letters can be used to represent other organizations. The general consensus was that there was no conflict in using CPS to represent the Canadian Power Squadron.

#### **St. Patrick's Day Irish Dancers**

A special vote of thanks to Bob Plumtree for arranging for the Dancers at the St. Patrick's Day Party.

#### **Gulf Island Cruise 2009**

Cruise Master Ted Blackall distributed copies of the proposed agenda for the Gulf Island Cruise from July 11 to July 26, 2009.

*Moved by Brian Hanneson, seconded by Rob Turner, that the Squadron pay for coffee and pop. Carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.