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Commodore's Corner

The official start to Spring is tomorrow, March 20! As this rather unbelievable mild winter winds down and morphs in to spring, we are all planning maintenance and those fantastic summer cruises. While Tack Tic may be sitting under a layer of green growth, she is also sporting a new radar scanner stand. It is the result of one trip to the Vancouver Boat Show and the memory of foggy mornings in Queen Charlotte and Johnstone Straits. It will be a learning curve to figure out how to read the screen but we are looking forward to having a new tool on board. With home and gardens beckoning this time of year, we can plan to leave it all behind to enjoy the wind in our sails during the summer months.

Our first rendezvous of the year will be in Port Browning on North Pender Island. This was a popular destination for many years for our club. Mary Ellen is putting together the details of our agenda, from Friday May 15 to Monday May 18. These details are available below and will be on our website soon. www.csyachtswest.org

Mary Ellen and Don Spinar have also developed something new for our members, a cruise in the San Juan Islands from June 21st to June 30th. I am sure that this cruise will be very enjoyable and covers some of the best anchorages in the area. They have carefully designed this agenda so those who love the dock and those who love the buoys will be happy.

Our AGM will be held at Port Browning and I can announce that Kathy Thompson is willing to take over as Commodore. I would like to thank Kathy and to say also that if someone else is interested, we can have an election! To have executive positions rotate through the membership gives strength to the organization. It is a good way to meet other members and get to know them better. Having said that, Keith Pettican of Driftaway is willing to work on Membership for another year, in partnership with Stephanie Greer. Thank you both. It may be that we require someone to take over as Treasurer. Ken Carey has done an excellent job of organizing our books, it seems he wants to step down. Those of you who are comfortable with numbers please step forward!

We are looking forward to seeing many of you on the Victoria Day weekend in May. It will be another adventure getting there and our first foray onto the water in 2015. Happy sailing everyone.

Joanne Graham
 Commodore

Port Browning Rendezvous May 15-17, 2015

We will be gathering at Pt Browning Marina for the May Long Weekend May15-17 this year. The Marina has been significantly upgraded since the last rendezvous many years ago. There is a large new shower/restroom area with showers for 1 looney for 4 mins. There are laundry facilities and wifi is free. The pub food is great and the views unmatched from the deck. Check out the link to the Pt Browning website on our website for detailed menus.

There is improved power delivery to the slips with both 30amp and 15amp available, however there may not be power for every boat as it is a busy weekend. I would recommend arriving as early as possible to secure power if you need it.

Moorage will be \$1.25 per foot, 30amp power - \$8, 15 amp power - \$7. Do not call the marina for space, you must register with me as I will be providing a master list to the dock master one week before our rendezvous.

We will be dining on Baby Back Ribs and salads from the Pub on Sat. night. We have rented the party tent (no rain!!) and the Pub will supply dinner, plates and cutlery for \$25.00 per couple plus tax & gratuity. I had these ribs last summer and they are amazing so plan on being hungry, we eat at 5:30

The new website <http://www.csyachtswest.org> has been updated with rendezvous information and a registration form is available **now**. Please check it out and make your registration online, no password is necessary!!!

If you have difficulty with the website, please notify Mary Ellen at spinar9@comcast.net and I will register for you. See you in Pt. Browning!

Telegraph Rendezvous August 28-30, 2015

Our Fall rendezvous has moved into August due to scheduling conflicts. We will be at the Telegraph Harbour Marina for our last boating event of the season. Friday arrivals will enjoy a potluck happy hour on the deck at the top of the dock. Saturday morning starts with our annual pancake and sausage breakfast, followed by nature walk, Chemainus visit or Bocci ball. Later we will have a technical session (topic TBD) and our evening meal will be a BBQ (bring your own meat) with the Bistro providing the rest of the meal. Price per person to be determined as catering costs have increased slightly.

Remember the club provides the pancake breakfast free of charge along with those yummy cinnamon buns on Sunday morning!!

Best of all, Don and I will be able to attend by boat this time so Wind Dancer can show off her new windlass and anchor well arrangement! Hopefully we will have been able to use it by then and have some comment on the usability. We are so looking forward to being down on the docks with everyone.

Mary Ellen

CS West San Juan Islands Cruise June 21-30, 2015

This year we are going to try something new, a cruise through the San Juans as a group. The tentative schedule follows. I was trying to arrange a mid-week special bus ride around Orcas but the cost would have been prohibitive so we need to be at Deer Hbr. for their normal scheduled week end runs. The cost will be \$10US per person for a round trip and you will be able to get off in East Sound for shopping and pick it up again to get back to Deer Hbr. They also require exact change.

Everyone needs to make their own reservations if you plan to use the marinas at some of our stops (the contact information is on the following schedule). We start our cruise at Roche Hbr. so it gives an extra day to arrive, clear customs and pickup supplies. Roche recommended you make reservations ASAP since they are filling up fast!

If we're lucky, we might be able to use the party dock and the Bar-B-Que at Roche if it isn't already reserved. The cruise starts in Roche but you can catch up with us anywhere along the way. One reason we go to Reid Hbr. right after Roche is not only is it a great place to visit but it gives some of us a breather and also gives others a couple of extra days to catch up.

Finally, when going back to Canada via Spieden Channel, time it for favorable currents since it has some of the strongest currents in the area.

Please let Mary Ellen know, spinar9@comcast.net, if you plan on cruising with us. The new website <http://www.csyachtswest.org> will be updated soon with the cruise schedule and a registration form. Please check it out and make your registration online, no password is necessary!!!

Some Customs Info:

Following are also some guidelines on what you can bring into the US:

- Condiments such as oil, vinegar, mustard, catsup, pickles, syrup, honey without honey combs, jelly, and jam.
- Foodstuffs such as bakery items, candy, and chocolate.
- Hard cured cheeses without meat, such as parmesan or cheddar.
- Canned goods and goods in vacuum-packed jars (except those containing meat or poultry products) for personal use.
- Fish or fish products for personal use.
- Powdered drinks sealed in original containers with ingredients listed in English.
- One liter of alcohol per person

Dry mixes containing dairy and egg ingredients (such as baking mixes, cocoa mixes, drink mixes, instant cake mixes, instant pudding mixes, liquid drink mixes containing reconstituted dry milk or dry milk products, potato flakes, and infant formula) that are commercially labeled, presented in final finished packaging, and require no further manipulation of the product are generally allowed.



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All agriculture items must be declared and are subject to inspection by a CBP Agriculture Specialist at ports of entry to ensure they are free of plant pests and foreign animal diseases.

Fruits and vegetables grown in Canada are generally admissible, if they have labels identifying them as products of Canada. Fruits and vegetables merely purchased in Canada are not necessarily admissible, i.e. citrus or tropical fruits such as mangos, which clearly were not grown in Canada because it does not have a climate that supports those crops.

Potatoes from western regions of Canada are currently restricted because of a disease outbreak. While commercial imports are permitted under stringent guidelines, travelers from Canada should avoid bringing raw potatoes with them into the U.S.

Food products from Canada, including pet food and fresh (frozen or chilled), cooked, canned or otherwise processed products containing beef, veal, bison, and cervid (e.g. deer, elk, moose, caribou etc.) are now permitted from Canada but you must provide proof of the origin of beef, pork, poultry, cervid meat, and pet food in order to bring them into the United States. Examples of proof of origin include the grocery store receipt where the product was purchased or the label on the product indicating the province in which it was packaged. Products containing sheep, lamb, or goat will not be allowed entry. Food products should be commercially packaged and sealed with ingredients listed in English.

Raw poultry & eggs, goat and lamb not allowed but you can bring if cooked (i.e. cooked chicken and hard-boiled eggs). No citrus fruit, tomatoes, peppers and 'above ground' onions (e.g. green onion, leaks, etc.).

**CS WEST
San Juans Cruise
June 21-30**

Sun. 6/21: Roche Harbor (800-451-8910)

Make reservations beforehand or anchor in bay after clearing customs
 Clear customs
 Pick up supplies
 Sun. 6/20 5:00 - Happy hour on boats or steak fry on party dock (if available)

Mon. 6/22 - Tues. 6/23: Reid Harbor (Stuart Is.)

Easy day trip since Reid is right across from Roche
 Buy freshly made donuts before you leave for Reid
 Leave Roche about 10:00 to catch buoys in Reid
 Reid has 20 buoys and plenty of anchorage (all State Marine Parks buoys are \$12US)
 Reid also has a linear moorage system that will hold several boats
 Activities include walking on the island's trails especially to the old school house
 Reid has a dock for dinghies and pump out station.

Wed. 6/24 - Thurs. 6/25: Sucia Is. (Echo Bay) Apprx. 15 mi.

Leave Reid between 8:00 - 9:00 to catch the current down Spieden
 Echo Bay also has 2 linear moorage systems and 14 buoys plus anchorage space
 Activities include walking on the island's trails and 'scoping out' the anchorage at Fossil Bay
 Sucia can be a point of departure to head back to Pt. Roberts or Vancouver

Fri. 6/26 - Sat 6/27: Orcas Is. (Deer Hbr. 360-376-3037) Apprx. 12 mi.

Make reservations beforehand or there is limited anchorage in the bay
At noon we'll have a bus ride around Orcas. It is a hop-on / hop-off bus ride with shopping in East Sound
 There is a nice restaurant up the road from the marina if you don't want to eat on the boat
 This can be a departure point to Bedwell or Sidney for those going back to Canada

Sun. 6/28: Friday Hbr. 360-378-2688 Apprx. 6 mi.

Make reservations beforehand because there isn't any anchorage
 Shopping in town
 This can also be a departure point if going back to Canada

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San Juans Cruise Cont:

Mon. 6/29: Spencer Spit (Lopez Is.) Apprx. 8 mi.

11 buoys at spit (8 north, 3 south)

Plenty of anchorage on south side

Activity is go to shore and walk around

Tues. 6/30: West Sound Orcas Is. Apprx. 8 mi.

Try to get a reciprocal at the Orcas Is. YC dock (nice pub across the road)

If no reciprocal, make reservations at West Sound Marina (360-376-2314)

If all else fails, go to Deer Hbr.

NOTES FROM STEPHANIE

CS West Group EMail

CS West members can sent and receive messages to and from the on cs-west@lists.ubc.ca. Only those whose email addresses have been entered on the UBC system can do this – thus preventing spam.

“Reply” goes to the sender. “Reply All” goes to everybody (use with discretion).

Please notify me if you change you email address-or if you no longer wish to receive CS West messages..

This list is used to inform members of upcoming events, boats for sale, questions about where to get something etc. Please do not conduct long technical discussions on this list. If replying to a query, just use “Reply”.

The CS Owners List Server is used by CS owners all over North America for discussing technical problems. It also has an Archiv. Owners can sign on to the CSOA listserv via the webpage www.closereach.com/csoa//

CS West Website

Cliff Kiyooka has set up a new website for us <http://www.csyachtswest.org>

Check it out. What remains of the old site is now being used for Admin functions only.

Many thanks to Cliff, and to Don Grovestine for running the original webpage for so long –even years after he had sold his boat.

2015 Membership Renewals

If you have not yet renewed your CS West membership (if not sure, just ask) you can send your \$30. cheque, made out to CS Yacht Owners West , to Keith Pettican at:

105-245 West 15th Street, North Vancouver, B.C. V7M 1S3

If your burgees are looking tattered, he also has good quality CS burgees for \$15. each.

Stephanie Greer
List Manager

SURVEY RESULTS

Our latest survey had 43 responses which I think is pretty good.

1. Dinner at the boat show was a resounding **NO**
2. Where to have the Spring rendezvous? **Port Browning won by a 53% margin.**
3. Shall we have a San Juan Island Cruise in June. **77% favorable.**
4. Navis questions:
 - Currently insured - **11**
 - Thinking of changing to Navis - **16**
 - Not an option - **14**

Mary Ellen



BC Maritime Museum

Re: MMBC is critical to Victoria and it needs to be on the Inner Harbour

To: Clay Evans, Chair Maritime Museum of BC

From: Gail Kucera, Victoria resident

Date: March 7, 2015

Victoria has a long and romantic history of being a steamship port, and a fulcrum of visitors passing on journeys between the West and the Orient.

Why does Victoria's history matter? Because people want to visit and live in interesting places. This keeps the economy healthy and it keeps people caring about their own city.

We need to tell our own story about why we are interesting. This will bring tourists who want to stay in Victoria for a few days. Right now, I think they take a quick look at the dwindling retail on Government Street and are ready to leave.

The BC Maritime Museum is central to our story. It should be right on the Inner Harbour where the steamships used to come. There should be a "Passport" that takes visitors on their own small journey, emulating the steamship experience. They could pass through the Maritime Museum, then across to the Provincial Museum and legislature to learn more about the province. Like the Titanic exhibit, museum visitors could get names and identities at an "Arrivals" desk that might take them to Chinatown, a boarding house in James Bay, or the Empress.

If visitors and residents are given a bit of help to appreciate the romance of Victoria, they also are better able to appreciate the beauty of the old buildings downtown. A great deal of capital is expended on making Victoria visually appealing, but it becomes hollow when the story we tell about our city is just T-shirts and soap.

Arguably, the Maritime Museum and the Provincial Museum are of benefit to everyone who lives in Victoria; they keep our fascinating history alive, they give a rich and varied tourist experience, and they make residents feel lucky to live here.

Spring is around the corner and I suspect most of you are starting to check things out on your boat. If you live in the lower VCR island area, the BC Maritime Museum's annual "**Massive Marine Garage Sale**" is a must to visit, both to sell items that you have kicking around the basement or to look for things that 'might come in handy'.

Takes place at Ogden Pt, by the harbour breakwater. Worth checking out. I have seen a CS table several times! --- Barry Rolston

The Maritime Museum of BC's
12th Annual
Massive Marine
Garage Sale

Saturday, April 25, 2015
 Ogden Point - Pier A, 9am to 1pm
FREE PARKING!

Entrance Fee: \$5 (children under 12 free)
Table Rental / Car Topper / Boat on Trailer Fee:
\$40 (Early Bird: \$25 if paid by April 1)
Commercial Rental Fee: \$85

To register or for more information, please call 250-385-4222, ext. 102
 or email Ann Jones at ajones@mmbc.bc.ca or sailkish@gmail.com.

The Maritime Museum accepts donated items to sell on its tables. Please contact the Museum to arrange pick-up or drop-off.
 Proceeds support the Museum's ongoing move, programs and community outreach.







CS Boats for Sale January 2015

<u>CS27</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Light Spirit	Vancouver	David Record (604)584-1260 sandrare@vcn.bc.ca
Pincoya.	Comox.	Monica McDermid. monicamcdermid@shaw.ca 250-898-4951©

CS30
Luana. Nanaimo. Rod MacDonald 250-753-8711 rodmac23@shaw.ca

CS33
Falcon. listed with Paul Shield paulshield@telus.net 604-240-7310
www.alliedyachtsales.com Leo Rutledge cyeomans@shaw.ca 250-390-2109
New Beginnings. Sidney [Yacht Sales West](http://YachtSalesWest.com) 250-656-6644

CS36 Traditional
Katia. Heather Civic Marina. Allan Harris 778-373-9679 allanharris@novuscom.net
Saracen Otter Bay, Pender Island Frank Eadie 604-250-0540 feadie@shawbiz.ca

CS40
Katana Mount Seymour Yacht Sales, Granville Island, Vancouver
Optical Illusion. Birch Bay. Estate Sale Offshore equipped. U.S.\$59,000.
Contact Dick Towson at towsrjr@gmail.com
Scorpio. Dan Kreier Marine Service Center, Seattle
206-369-3348 dankreier@marinesc.com

New Members

Here are our recent new members:

Scott Bradley, Partner Kate Lee, CS30, name "Avocat" @ Bay View Boat Club SF USA

Dale Posgate, Quanta 28 name "Quartet" @ Royal Victoria YC

Mike Fossil and Hae Suny Yum Qualicum Beach 250-937-1686 mikefossil@hotmail.com
Second Jump (40) Maple Bay Marina

John and Shayne Olson Vancouver 778-384-7353 tsusiat@gmail.com
Juno II (33) Royal Vancouver Yacht Club.

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Raffle? - Did anyone volunteer to do this?

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(Cliff will eventually take Don's place after a smooth transition).

Website: <http://www.cswest.ca>

Please Patronize Our Supporters

Currently, five West Coast chandleries offer discounts ranging up to 15% to CS West members. They are:

- Steveston Marine at all its lower mainland stores (you'll have to be on their mailing list to receive the discount - see the website)
- Massey's Marine Supply in Ladner,
- All Bay Marine in Sidney
- Waypoint Marine in Sidney, and
- The Harbour Chandler in Nanaimo.

As well, CS West members are entitled to a 10% discount at:

- Quadrant Marine Institute in Sidney off its seminars and at-home courseware,
- JM Marine Canvas in Victoria off all its canvas products and services, and
- UK Halsey Sailmakers in Sidney off all goods and services, including specials.

Please refer to the website for the latest list of supporters and, whenever possible, patronize them.

