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#### In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Veronica Bayers (Rosmond) on October 1, 2003 after a short illness. The following tribute was sent to us by Sally and Pierre Porcheron.

"The phone rang in the early hours of October 1st. Bob informed us that Veronica had suffered a massive heart attack and had not survived. Sally was in shock. As she sat on the edge of the bed, she whispered a few words I could not hear and then said 'its just not fair'. They were waiting for results of tests that would determine if her lung cancer was treatable.

Veronica was totally dedicated to her husband Bob, her son John and her new daughter-in-law Valerie. Veronica also loved her dog 'Cricket'. She is the only person we know who baked her own dog treats.

To others she was known as the 'fish ear lady'. This comment came from people we met in Lagoon Cove during our last expedition. They had fish ear earrings made for their girls after Veronica told them about it.

Veronica, there is no way you will ever know what an honor, a pleasure and a blessing it was to know you. You have enriched our lives and passed through town all too quickly.

We will forever keep watch on the horizon for a glimpse of your white sail."

# Fall Rendezvous Enjoyed by All

Silva Bay Marina, September 19-21, 2003.

Seventeen CSs were represented, in one form or another, at Silva Bay. Arbutus Girl, Blue Lagoon, Carriad, Cashelmara, Deckadance, Gadgets, Gandalf 1, Hannibal, Huff N'Puff, Kewao, Magic Karpet, Polaris, Summer (formerly Just Plain Fred) arrived by bicycle Snow. Tack Tic and Whistler 1 all were at the dock for at least part of the time. Jack

and Marilyn Williams (Musashi) showed up by car just in time for Saturday's dinner and to walk away with the choice raffle prize! Rob MacDonald of *Pincova* on Sunday morning.

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#### From Our President

Hi, Members! After a spectacular Summer, it's finally starting to look like Autumn - time to remove all the accumulated "stuff" we've put on the boat in the last few months, take home the uneaten canned goods we thought might be essential and get the boat ready to weather the occasional winter storm. A couple of our CS-owning friends in Ontario already have their boats up on the hard in preparation for ice-up, so I guess it's worth a bit of preparatory work for us in the Northwest to be able to sail year-round.

Unfortunately, we were unable to attend the Fall Rendezvous at Silva Bay. We were particularly interested in touring the wooden boat school, but, as it turns out the tour was cancelled. Otherwise, the

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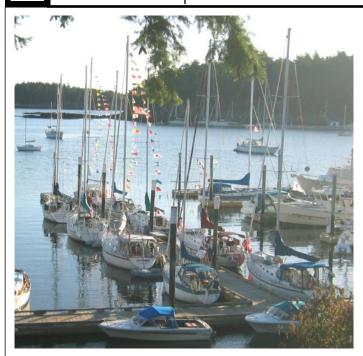
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#### Dates of Interest:

- Fall Meeting Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club. November 8, 2003
- Winter Meeting Royal Vancouver Yacht Club, February 7, 2004







The ten boats that arrived on Friday had happy hour and pot-luck dinner on the dock until the sun went down and the chill arrived. The marina had assigned us one long dock to ourselves. So apart from four boats on various club out-station docks and *Hannibal* at her own dock, everyone was together.



Summer Snow could only stay the one night (Friday). She had to leave early in order for a crew member to return to work on time. So, we had a small presentation on Friday night. Carl Swanson (Carriad) generously donated two caps with the CS logo and Silva Bay 03 inscribed on them. (Thanks, Carl!) Henry Kucera (Summer Snow) received one of the hats as a prize for travelling the furthest – from Oak Bay. Norm and Joan Smyth (Cashelmara) received the other cap for attending their first CS rendezvous. They get to sort out

between themselves who wears it. The Shenton's thought they should have received a prize for coming *all the way* from Vancouver in one day!

By the way, where were all those Vancouver boats?

We counted only five that braved the long and arduous crossing from Vancouver to Silva Bay (*Arbutus Girl, Gandalf 1, Huff'Puff, Kewao* and *Magic Karpet* – single handed) – in 10 kts. or less of wind.

On Saturday, Carsten led a walk to Drumberg Park. Barb (*Blue Lagoon*), who actually knew the way, sped ahead out of sight. Fortunately, the group made only a slight detour, but eventually caught up with Barb.



Norm Smyth took off by himself in search of the elusive petroglyphs. He returned, triumphant, several hours later. (Read about his adventure on page 4.) He can now lead the way next year.

The boat hop happy hour began at four o'clock. Again, this was a good mixer. Four boats were hosts for half an hour. When the bell rang, it was time to move on to another boat with different (well, I tried!) people. Nobody got lost-as far as we know.





Dinner was at the pub – a busy place. We had an excellent meal. Many thanks to Oliver and Lynn Woolcock (*Hannibal*) for making the arrangements - especially since the numbers kept changing right up to mealtime. We have been promised our own room for next year provided we have thirty people or more.



Since we had such good weather and clear skies, Jim Towgood (*Magic Karpet*) volunteered to give an introduction to star-gazing. Apparently, those of us who opted for early bed missed a good show. Pam Shenton can now identify Andromeda which is 2,200,000 light years away.



The Sunday tour of the Wooden Boat Building School that Oliver Woolcock (*Hannibal*) was to lead did not happen. Apparently, the manager of the school forgot about the event and, reportedly, took advantage of the

good weather to go sailing. Next year? Oliver led a skippers meeting instead. The majority voted to return to Silva Bay next year (booked for Sept.17-19, 2004).



Ten of us had a really nice lunch in the sun on the pub deck before going our separate ways. Some opted to spend a few more days cruising in the Gulf Islands while the weather stayed fine.



Incidentally, *Gandalf 1* has the distinction of being the first boat to renew their membership for 2004.

Stephanie Greer CS 36T *Polaris* 

From our President (con't) - rendezvous reportedly was a lot of fun.

Our on-land meetings (in Sidney and Vancouver) are quickly approaching. If you would like to meet fellow CS owners and share adventures, swap lies or get some technical assistance, these are the places to go! Please make an effort to attend.

Finally, we should give a big thanks to Don Grovestine, our newsletter editor. I've heard nothing but good

comments regarding our web-based publication. Both the editorial content and graphics are excellent. A couple of yacht clubs we're associated with have tried similar approaches, but seem to have some serious technical problems and end up going back to the old print method. But even I have no trouble with downloading or reading ours. I hope all of you look forward to receiving it as much as we do.

Safe Sailing! Bev Bayliss, CS 30 *Luana* 



# The Gabriola Island Petroglyphs

Over fifty petroglyphs are on a site behind the United Church near the south-east corner of Gabriola Island.

At our CS rendezvous at Silva Bay on 20 September, I left Captain Carston's morning walk to Drumberg Park and continued on the road past Gossip Corner (see picture below) and Degnen Bay to the United Church. The church is about 2 km. from Degnen Bay and 5 km. from Silva Bay. A nice walk! Apple trees and blackberry bushes along the way were a good source of refreshment!



There is a map to the petroglyph site posted behind the church. A short 100 meter walk takes you to the first petroglyph. It is carved into a large flat sandstone rock on the ground. I swept the leaves aside to see the carving. It is thought to be Haietlik, the Lightning Snake of the Clayoquot people.



Norman Smyth

To make the carving more visible, I brushed the indentation with a tissue dipped in water. (Thursday's rain left some convenient puddles!) The water makes the carving stand out and also allows you to actually absorb the details of the carving without damaging the site in any way. There are three other carvings on this large rock.

Continuing on, there is a large open area with many large sandstone rocks on the ground which hold many petroglyphs. One of the more dramatic ones, which I again outlined with a wet tissue, is shown in the photo below.



Another interesting one nearby is this happy face from another time!



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# **CS West Publicity**

Our recently-elected publicity person, Elsie Wollaston, has decided to give up boating (hopefully, only for the time being) and, reportedly, is heading for Mexico. So, we need a new publicity person. The job is not onerous. (In fact, the only designated responsibility is to

liaise with Pacific Yaching regarding our rendezvous.) If you are prepared to give us a hand in this regard, please contact our president, Bev Bayliss, (604) 943-1074, <a href="mailto:bbayliss@telus.net">bbayliss@telus.net</a>, or have a chat with her at the Fall Meeting.

#### 2004 Renewals

Stephanie, Sally and Mary Ellen wish to remind you that the time to renew your membership for 2004 is approaching.

If you will be attending the November Meeting, it may be convenient for you to renew there (as usual, Stephanie will be at the door). Otherwise, please send a cheque for \$25.00 to:

Sally Porcheron 18 - 15168 22nd Avenue Surrey BC V4A 9T4

along with any changes in your details, e.g., address, telephone number, new boat, etc.

**Pertoglyphs (con't)** - In total, I found about fifteen of the fifty or more petroglyphs reportedly in the area.

The site is unprotected from both the elements and visitors. In its natural unkempt state, it has a mystical aura.

I spent over an hour here thinking of the time long ago when these images were carved and of the people who lived here.

It is amazing that the petroglyphs have survived to this day. Visit them when you can. They are impressive!

Norman Smyth CS 36T Cashelmara

## **Fall Meeting**

Plan now to attend the Fall Meeting, at the Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club on Saturday, November 8, 2003.

You will receive an e-mail reminder as the date of the meeting approaches, which will contain full details. In the meantime, the preliminary plans are outlined below.

We plan to have a sit-down dinner, which proved very successful last year and, of course, a raffle. Ron Drane, of Van Isle Marina, will talk about how to maintain the value of our boats and what are the most desirable additions to the boats for resale.

The cost of the event will be about \$20 per person, which will pay for the meal and help defray the cost of renting the room.

For the convenience of those members who live on the mainland and who will be coming by ferry, we will get underway at 5:00 pm (allowing you to take the 3:00pm ferry from Tsawwassen) and wrap-up the meal and formal part of the program in time for you to catch the 9:00 ferry back home. If you need transportation between the ferry and SNSYC, please let Stephanie know, (250) 656-4200, polaris@interchange.ubc.ca. A few Sidney/Victoria members have volunteered a bed and breakfast for those who may wish to remain on the island overnight. Please advise Stephanie either if you need accommodation or if you are prepared to offer it.

See you there.

# A BIG CS West Welcome To:

Graham and Nancy Williams Sloop Therapy (CS 33) (250) 656-2145 nandqwilliams@shaw.ca

### CS LogoWear

The CS logo has been digitized and can be embroidered onto a variety of clothing items - fleece vests and jackets, denim shirts, golf shirts, baseball caps, towels, etc. The logo is available at Dog's Ear outlets in Victoria, Richmond and West Vancouver and at E-zone in Nanaimo. You can either bring in your items to be embroidered or purchase them from the outlet.

If your requirements can't be met by one of these outlets and you want to have the work done by someone else, please contact Jonie Foran (CS 33 *Sabbatical*) at (604) 241-1322 or by e-mail at <u>d-jforan@shaw.ca</u> for the loan of a computer disk containing the logo.



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#### From our Members ...

**Looking for a CS 30/33** - Rod MacDonald (CS 27 *Pincoya*) - I am still looking for a CS 30 or 33. We are finding that as much as we enjoy the CS 27, we hope to travel further afield (awater) next year. If folks are interested they can contact me by email: rodmac@nanaimo.ark.com or by phone: (250) 753-8711.

**CS 36T For Sale** - Pierre and Sally Porcheron (*Katia*) - Reluctantly, we have decided to sell *Katia*. Interested parties please contact us at by phone : (604) 531-7749 - home, (604) 802-7418 - cell or by e-mail: salpierp@netscape.com.

Following is a partial list of Katia's features, most of which were added between 1998 and 2000:

Hull: Awlgrip

Bottom: Interprotect (no blisters)

Full cockpit enclosure

New upholstery cabin/cabin cushions

Solid SS rails from gate aft

New halyards Dinghy-Tow

Lewmar windlass/modified anchor locker

Only1000 hrs on engine, overhauled (1995)

New Autopilot: ST4000 MKII Plus

New WAAS GPS: RN 300

Forward Looking SONAR

2 VHFs: Raytheon & Standard Intrepid

Radar: 16 mile range New galley range New hot water tank

Bus heater and circulating pump

Propane fireplace: Dickenson 9000BTU

Propane detector

E Meter

Refrigerator with freezer: EZ KOLD Cabin batteries: Surrette, 440 aH

Solar panels

New rudder (new segment gear)

Asking Cdn\$121,500. Katia is docked at Point Roberts Marina. Simply bring your toothbrush and go!

**Time to renew your marine insurance?** Pierre Porcheron (CS 36T *Katia*) has negotiated a **GREAT** group deal for CS Yacht Owners Group West members with Pacific Marine Underwriting Managers in Vancouver. Several of us have saved up to \$300 in premiums. The underwriter is Continental Casualty Insurance of Canada. Contact Dan Kim, toll free at (877) 433-2628 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:dkim@reliance.bc.ca">dkim@reliance.bc.ca</a>. Pierre is also attempting to negotiate with the same company group rates for home and automobile insurance for the group.

