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Commodore's Corner

It seems that spring has finally sprung after what has been a very dull winter here on the Pacific coast. We have taken the tarps off our boat and are cleaning and polishing in anticipation of another boating season. For those intrepid sailors who have been winter sailing, perhaps you can put away the second pair of merino wool long johns in favour of "summer weight fleece"?

I am looking forward to the May CS Rendezvous in Ganges. It is always exciting to thread our way through the Round Salt Spring Island racers as we arrive on Saturday morning or for those of us who get there on Friday, to watch the preparations. The Saturday market draws many shoppers and of course the Crab feast is eagerly anticipated; don't forget to bring big aprons and lots of towels to clean up the drippings! A technical meeting and gear swap event will be held on Saturday afternoon and the CS West AGM will occur on Sunday morning right after breakfast. Stick around for the delicious meal at the Oyster Catcher Restaurant on Sunday evening.

Craig and I attended our first May rendezvous less than 2 months after purchasing Rosmond and it was an excellent opportunity to meet fellow CS boat owners and learn more about the wonderful boats that we own. We were also able to begin developing friendships with like minded people and that in itself is reason to return each year. See you in May at Ganges.

Mini rendezvous are also planned for the summer for those cruising locally as well as those who may be up in the Desolation area. Stay tuned to the website for details.

Alison Meredith

Plan now to attend the

Ganges Rendezvous

May 18-20

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CS West Executive Meeting Minutes RVYC February 11, 2011

Present: Mary Ellen Spinar (Past Commodore), John Taylor (Vice Commodore), Don Spinar (Newsletter Editor), Stephanie Greer (Membership Secretary), Ken Carey, and Carsten Nachtigahl.

Absent: Alison Meredith (Commodore), Beck Wageman (Technical)

Meeting called to order by Mary Ellen Spinar at 3pm.

Treasurer. Paul Robertson wishes to withdraw as Treasurer as he is selling his boat. Ken Carey has volunteered to replace him. A vote will be held at the evening dinner meeting. Ken Carey elected as Treas**urer** by the membership. Alison Meredith (Commodore), David Graham, and Debra Cook are presently co-signors. Since one is needed near Fairwinds, Marianne Duffley and/or Yvonne Daczko were suggested.

Rendezvous:

Spring Rendezvous: Ganges Marina. May 18-21. John Taylor will be the organizer again this year. John is also selling his boat and wants to be relieved of executive responsibilities. He has served as Vice Commodore for several years.

Fall Rendezvous: Telegraph Harbour Marina, Sept. 7-9 Alison Meredith organizer (to be confirmed).

Mini-Rendezvous:

Port Browning. July 28 (originally 7/21); Squirrel Cove Aug.4; Montague Harbour Aug 25.

Dinner Meetings:

Nov.3 Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club. Organizers to be confirmed (at Ganges?). Do Alison and Debra want to talk about their around Vancouver Island trip?

Feb.? 2013 RVYC? Will have to be booked (Mike McGaw? Or other RVYC member)). Organizers – Joanne Graham, Lornell Ridley, Scotty Wilson. Confirm.

Newsletter: Don will put out a CS West in April prior to the rendezvous.

Feb. 11 2012 Dinner Meeting. Mary Ellen will lead a short meeting to get Ken Cary officially elected and ask for membership input about events. Joanne Graham and Lornell Ridley will introduce and thank the speaker – Derek Hatfield. Gift baskets will be door prizes.

Next Meeting: Ganges

Meeting Ajourned at 4.10pm.

Stephanie Greer

Membership Secretary

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CS WEST WINTER MEETING MINUTES ROYAL VANCOUVER YACHT CLUB FEBRUARY 11, 2012

We had 37 members attend the meeting and Stephanie Greer and Scotty Wilson were the door greeters. Many thanks to Joanne Graham, Lornell Ridley and Mike McGaw for organizing this event.

In Alison's absence, Mary Ellen led the dinner meeting.

Treasurer

Paul Robertson withdrew as Treasurer because he is selling his boat. **Ken Carey** volunteered to replace him and he was elected Treasurer by a vote of the membership.

Event Coordinator

Mary Ellen urged each member to volunteer to coordinate an event. Mary Ellen pointed out that if we had a volunteer take the lead for each event that this will spread out the work load and make things easier for our Event Coordinator.

Mary Ellen then thanked John Taylor for all of his past work and the membership showed their appreciation by giving him a round of applause. John is also selling his boat and wants to be relieved of executive responsibilities. He has served as Vice Commodore for several years.

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Newsletter

Don Spinar will prepare the next newsletter in April in time for the Ganges spring rendezvous. He always appreciates articles from the membership. Send articles to dspinar@comcast.net.

Georgia Strait Alliance

Joanne Graham had hand-outs and a signup sheet for the Georgia Strait Alliance newsletter. This organization provides information on the health of the strait, green boating, fish farms and Coastal Watch (RMCP).

Good of the Order

• Mary Ellen talked about a neat web site that gives long range weather and sea conditions. This site is useful for those blue water sailors wanting to know a good 'weather window' to depart. The web site is: https://www.fnmoc.navy.mil/wxmap.cgi/index.html?tab=regional



• Kathy Thompson mentioned that Paul Mendham has left HUB and has started his own insurance agency, NAVIS. He cannot contact current Hub customers directly but you can contact him. His email is: paul@navismarine.ca.

Guest Speaker – Derek Hatfield

Lornell introduced our guest speaker Derek Hatfield. Derek started his presentation by showing a video of his 2002 around the world race experience on the *Spirit of Canada*.

Starting in September 2002 and ending in May of 2003, Derek completed over 28,700 nautical miles in the "Around Alone" Single-handed Yacht Race. Derek built the boat with friends and family and despite major obstacles along the way, was 1 of 10 international competitors and the only Canadian to finish the grueling event. On May 31st 2003, after almost 8 months at sea, Derek arrived in Newport – the finish line – to a hero's welcome. Hundreds of people came out to pay homage to a man who just wouldn't quit. Finishing an amazing 1st in fleet and 3rd place overall in Class II; Derek was the fastest 40' boat throughout the event.

After finishing the Around Alone in 2003 Derek realized that with the tremendous support that he had received before and during the Around Alone he could build an IMOCA Open 60 racing boat and represent Canada once again in the Vendee Globe 2008; a non-stop non-assisted solo race around the planet. Derek wasn't alone on the boat as he had the support of over 6,000 people on the boat with him. Their names were printed on the hull. After almost 4 years of building and fundraising, Derek started the Vendee Globe and became the first Vendee Globe competitor to fly the Canadian flag. It was an amazing achievement for Derek; it was an amazing achievement for Canada.

On 28th December 2008 after 50 days at sea, Derek was forced to retire from the Vendee Globe 2008 after a large breaking wave rolled the Open 60 Algimouss Spirit of Canada breaking two of the mast spreaders. Unable to complete repairs without outside assistance, Derek was forced to retire from the race and headed for Hobart in Tasmania. Only 11 of the original 30 starters were able to complete the grueling race.

The next challenge for Derek and his team was the VELUX 5 Oceans race, formerly the Around Alone. The start line was in France on October 17th, 2010 and took the racers around the world via stopovers in Cape Town, Wellington, Punta del Este, Charleston and then back to La Rochelle in France. Derek and his ACTIVE HOUSE ECO 60 sailed into the record books after finishing the race in 3rd place and becoming the first Canadian to race around the world twice. Derek is now located in Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia and is training for his next big challenge which will be announced in 2012.

After his presentation, Derek answered questions from the members. In appreciation, Joanne presented Derek a box lunch, since he missed the dinner, and a bottle of wine for his time.

(Editor's Note: The above summary was extracted from Derek's web site at www.spiritofcanada.net)

Raffle

• CS West Raffle Basket 1 (with THANKS and support of Gary @ Massey Marine, Ladner, Delta, BC. -- we received a 20% discount from Gary). The contents were: 2012 Waggoner Cruising Guide, 2012 Ports & Passes – Tides, Currents & charts from Olympia, WA to Prince Rupert, Rescue Tape – the Original Self-fusing Silicone Tape, Water Nozzle – 2 –way adjusting, Extending Magnetic Rod Deluxe Boat Safety Kit (2L Bailer, SOS Mirror, Waterproof LED Flashlight w/ Batteries, Whistle, 50' (15m) Maine Rope & Float). Won by Gary Cotter's (C-Otter) dad.

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- CS West Raffle Basket 2--The contents were: Binoculars (donated by Scotty Wilson, CS Member), Wine and a Gift Certificate from Martin Marine \$75. Stephanie won the 2nd basket but donated back the \$75 Martin Marine certificate since she is boat less. Jane Swanson (carriad) then won the gift certificate.
- Kathy Thompson (*Heron*) & Jack Williams (*Musashi*) both won coffee mugs.

Membership 2012

If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2012, please send a cheque for \$25 made out to:

CS Yacht Owners West to to: 37-1255 Wain Rd, North Saanich, B.C. V8L 4R4

Many thanks to those who have already renewed.

Stephanie Greer Membership Secretary

RACING INVITATION

I have been asked by Peter Milne (SCYC Fleet Captain) to canvass the CS boat owners and determine if there is any interest in forming a CS race Division/Class to take part in the SCYC 25th Annual Regatta to be held on Jun 1-3.

The "Notice of Race" document states five boats are required to form a class but this maybe altered slightly. Also, CS boats that would like to participate but do not have a valid PHRF certificate, can be issued a provisional for this event by the SCYC Race Committee.

Complimentary moorage is available for CS racers on Jun 1st & 2nd. Participating boats will be met on arrival and assigned slips for their stay.

For more information contact me at ldaczko@shaw.ca or go to www.scyc.ca click the Regatta web page link, then click Download the Regatta Announcement & Schedule and Notice of Race.

Regards,

Len Daczko





CS West Winter Dinner February 11, 2012











NEWS UPDATE!!

At our last Nov. 5th dinner meeting at SNSYC, our guest speaker Rick Searle from the University of Victoria and Oceans Network Canada, mentioned there were things we can do as boaters to help maintain the marine environment and report problems we observe.

Rick has since sent us a document that provides more detail on this matter and it is now posted on our Web site. Go to 'Other Links', 'Other Interesting Stuff' and then select 'Marine Science Initiatives'.

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CS West Ganges Rendezvous May 18-20

General Information

- 1. Moorage rate will be \$1.25 per foot, less 10%
- 2. Electricity will be \$5.00 per day for 30 amp (or less) power
- 3. Members are to arrange for moorage directly with Ganges Marina at (250) 537-5242 or by e-mail at "gangesmarina@gmail.com" and indicate they are part of the CS Rendezvous (and also register with the CS web site).
- 4. Moorage can be cancelled up to 24 hours prior to arrival time without penalty. When close to the marina, members should call the marina on Channel 66 for dock assignment, identifying themselves as being with the CS group.
- Drinks and shared appies on Friday evening
- Ganges Market on Saturday morning
- Technical session (Dinghy Issues) and swap meet on Saturday afternoon (approx. 3:30)
- Crab fest and raffle on Saturday evening
- General meeting on Sunday morning (pastries included)
- Hike/wine tasting on Sunday afternoon
- Dinner at the Oystercatcher on Sunday evening for those who are staying over until Monday.

We will charge \$20/person for the crab fest and Sunday morning pastries.

Forecast of Sea Conditions

Silverado is 124' yacht whose home port is Poulsbo that Mary Ellen does canvas work for. Last January it was stuck in Poulsbo waiting for a weather window so it could make its way down the coast to Mexico. I asked the skipper how he knew when to leave and he gave us the link to a navy web site that gave long range forecasts for wind, currents and wave heights (which is his main concern). He said in the past, he used another site but had to pay \$50 every time he accessed it but this site is free! This site is useful for those blue water sailors wanting to know a good 'weather window' to depart.

The web site is:

https://www.fnmoc.navy.mil/wxmap_cgi/index.html?tab=regional

When you bring up the site, you will get a certificate security warning. Under IE, just click on the 'continue to this website (not recommended)' link. The next screen will display the site's 'Regional Models' page. On the far right is a map of the NE Pacific, click on either the 'COAMPS' or 'WW3' link under it. Next, a table is displayed with six 'DTGs' under it, which are date/time stamps'. Click on the DTG you want and then click on any of the 'all' links in the table. The next screen will be a series of color-coded maps that shows the information requested in corresponding 'all' link you selected (e.g. wave height, swell period, etc.) The links on the upper left of the table will give you a subset of the entire table. Play with it, it's a lot of fun!

Don Spinar





Subject: Removing Rusted Nuts

Machinist's Workshop magazine tested penetrants for break out torque on rusted nuts with significant results! They arranged a subjective test of all the popular penetrants with the key control being the torque required to remove the nut from a "scientifically rusted" environment.

The ATF-Acetone mix was a "home brew" mix of 50 - 50 automatic transmission fluid and acetone. Note the "home brew" was better than any commercial product in this one particular test. Our local machinist group mixed up a batch and we all now use it with equally good results.

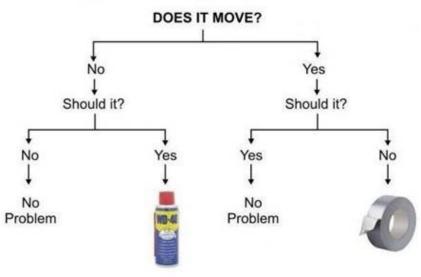
Note also that "Liquid Wrench" is about as good as "Kroil" for about 20% of the price.

Another method to try when 'nothing works' is to heat the nut up with a torch to *almost* red hot, apply Bee's Wax to the threads and base of the nut, let it sit for about 30 min then remove the nut. If this doesn't work, get a nut cracker or a hacksaw!

Happy knuckle busting!

A concise chart for all repairs

Engineering Flowchart





Classifieds

Sadly, our beloved CS 36T "Cashelmara" is for sale. The price is reduced by \$5,000 until 31 Dec 2011 exclusively for CS West members.

Details are in the attached document and on the web at http://www3.telus.net/public/smyth/ select "Cashelmara.doc". Cheers----Norm

This winter I will be repowering my CS 36T and selling my W30 (minus transmission/v drive). It can be seen cold starting and running in the boat.

This is not a rusty poorly maintained engine! It has 2500 hours and extras such as a remote CAV filter conversion unit to racor spinoff, custom air filter box, 90 amp alternator, 2010 recalibrated injectors, etc.

Along with this engine I have in storage another bobtail engine that was purchased as a spare. It was disassembled/reassembled by a professional mechanic, and reconditioned where needed. In addition I have numerous rebuilt spares and extra parts to keep anyone going for years. Rebuilt items are mechanical fuel pump, high pressure fuel pump, jabsco raw water pump, starter. Spares are W30 engine gasket kit, heat exchangers for engine and transmission, engine water pump, injector nozzles, new water pump impeller, Stewart Warner gauge package, etc.-----Ron 250-715-0568 (Maple Bay, B.C.)

It is with regret that Keith and I are having to put our lovely 1978 CS 30 'Take Five' up for sale. She is moored (at present) on the Sunshine Coast at Latitude 49 Marina. If you are interested in any way please contact Keith at: kbobt@me.com or me (Polly) at: pannet@me.com.---Polly Tracey--'Take Five'

The following is the list of CS West boats for sale.

CS 27

Light Spirit. Vancouver. David Record 604-584-1260 sandrare@vcn.bc.ca Pincoya. Comox. Monica McDermid monicamcdermid@shaw.ca 250-898-4951 Ouicksilver. Maple Bay. John LeGood 250-483-5246 shawniganjohn@gmail.com

Camper Nicholson (CN30)----Battle Axe. Point Roberts. David Scandrett 604-541-2828 scand@shaw.ca

CS 30----Take Five. Sechelt. Keith and Polly Tracey 604-885-2883 pannet@me.com

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Deckadance. Nanaimo. John Taylor 250-729-0109 jtaylor2@telus.net Mary Bye. Nanaimo. Brian Smith 250-390-9125 or 250-739-1536(C) eaglerest@shaw.ca Falcon. Listed with Paul Shield paulshield@telus.net 604-240-7310 www.alliedyachtsales.com Nichols. California. Shaun and Sue Mitchell 530-587-0682 truckeesailor@hotmail.com

CS36T

Cashelmara. Sidney. Norm Smyth. 250-383-9077 smyth@telus.net

Fainleog. Victoria. Nathaniel Poole 250-858-4978 myth.wright@gmail.com www.discoversail.com

Interlude II. Thunderbird Yacht Sales, Sidney 250-656-5832

Juguete. Custom Yacht Sales, Sidney 250-656-8771

Kaiulani Blaine? Donald and Sharon Taylor yachtkaiulani@yahoo.com

CS 36 Merlin---Leap of Faith. Nanaimo . David Faith 250-754-4649 dfaith@telus.net







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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.

Finally, HUB International TOS insurance brokers in North Vancouver offers the best marine insurance package available at a very competitive price.

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

