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Commodore's Corner

To those who were not able to join us at Ganges Harbour for Victoria Day Weekend, we missed you and hope that you will be able to join us there in 2015. A good time was had by all, with wonderful dinners (the crab was fantastic), the always enjoyable farmers market and a bus tour of a number of small companies who are not represented at the market. The rain held off and the winds were fair to blow us home.

I would like to bring to your attention that there will be informal "mini-rendezvous" in the summer. The dates are: July 26 in Port Browning, August 23 in Montegue Harbour. If anyone would like to host a mini-rendezvous in Desolation Sound or the Broughtons, please let me know.

For your calendar - our Fall Rendezvous is in Telegraph Harbour Marina, September 5-7, 2014. The annual Bocce Ball tournament will be one of many enjoyable events to look forward to. It will be necessary to reserve a spot directly with the management. Weather at this time of year is usually fantastic!

Have a wonderful summer, Joanne Graham Commodore

CS West Rendezvous

July 26 - "Mini Rendezvous" in Port Browning August 23 - "Mini Rendezvous" in Montegue Harbour

Sept. 5-7 - Fall rendezvous at the Telegraph Harbour Marina (Thetis Island)





CS West Executive Meeting Minutes May 17, 2014

Present: Joanne Graham (Commodore), Mary Ellen Spinar (Event Coordinator), Don Spinar (Newsletter Editor), Stephanie Greer (Membership Secretary), Ken Carey (Treasurer) Keith Pettican and Kathy Thompson.

Treasurer. Ken gave a recap of the financials (we have \$5,682 in the bank). Keith reminded the Exec. that last year we approved \$500 to be donated to a charity. This was discussed and it was recommend that we should select SALTS (charity for disabled sailing).

Membership: Stephanie said we currently have 63 members.

Insurance: Kathie gave a brief overview of insurance rates and customer satisfaction of Navis compared to Hub. Kathie will present her findings to the members at the general meeting.

Executive: The positions for the next year's Executive was discussed. It was decided that Keith and Stephanie would split the Membership duties with Stephanie only responsible for the group emails and 'Boats for Sale'. However, Mary Ellen said that the Event Coordinator should send out the notices/specifics for the individual rendezvous.

The web site was discussed since Don Grovestine would like to turn it over to someone. The domain name was coming up for renewal but the ISP has a few more years left.

Mary Ellen said that for each rendezvous she would need a 'Dinner Committee' and other help as required but she would take care of the logistics. Also, the Event Coordinator should write up the recap of the cruise/ event.

It was decided that the Commodore, in the future, would write up the minutes of the Executive Committee. (These minutes were prepared by the Newsletter Editor).

Mini-Rendezvous: The dates and locations will be decided at the general meeting.

FYI

One of our adventurous newer members, Bryce Andrews, is now in El Salvador in "Abracadabra" 36T. He was previously in Mexico. Bryce hopes to make it up to the Gulf Islands in a couple of years. His blog address follows:

travelsonabracadabra.blogspot.com

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CS West AGM Minutes May 18, 2014

<u>Membership</u>: Stephanie said we currently have 63 members. Stephanie has been the Secretary since '96 and it was announced that she will be turning over most of the duties to Keith Pettican but she will still be responsible for any group emails.

<u>Treasurer</u>: Ken presented the finance report to the membership. The report was approved.

<u>Insurance</u>: Kathy Thompson presented her findings on a group rate for CS West. She recommended Navis vs. Hub because of the dissatisfaction many are having with the expertise of the people working at Hub. In order to get a 'group rate', we would need to get 30 boats to signup. (More to Follow).

Election of Executive 2014-2015: The following are the new officers:

Commodore: Joanne Graham

Vice Commodore: It was decided that this position should be replaced by a Event Coordinator.

Treasurer: Ken Carey

Secretary(s): Keith Pettican and Stephanie Greer

Event Coordinator: Mary Ellen Spinar **Newsletter**: Don & Mary Ellen Spinar

Web Master: Cliff Klyooka volunteered and was elected for this position. **Technical Director**: Henry Kucera (Ron Cook said he would assist Henry).

November Dinner Meeting: Alison Meredith and Marianne Duffley volunteered to coordinate this event. Having it in Nanaimo and making it a luncheon instead of a dinner with a guest speaker was suggested. This might get more CS West members to attend from the Vancouver area since they could catch the ferry and be back before it got too late and those on the island could just drive. (More info on this later)

Telegraph Harbour Rendezvous: This will take place the weekend of Sept. 5-7. A notice will be sent to Pacific Yachting.

Mini Rendezvous: Pt. Browning - July 26 and Montegue - Aug. 23.

CS West Equipment: We have the following items: crab cooker, rigging tester, radio tester, cutless bearing remover. However, we don't know for sure where all of this is located or if the list is complete.

Future of CS West: This topic was discussed because of declining membership with people getting older and selling their boats. Some of the suggestions to correct this trend and to get younger members into the group were to revamp the web site, get on Facebook, advertise in yachting magazines or to combine forces with another club.

Raffle: The booty consisted of: hose nozzle, poly wax application pads, log book, key-ring buoy, LED light & whistle, rescue tape and an apron.

Before we adjourned, Stephanie was presented with a bottle of wine for all of her past Secretary duties since '96. She was warmly given a round of applause!!





CS West Spring Rendezvous Ganges, Saltspring Island May 16-19, 2014

We had 21 boats registered for the Ganges rendezvous. The boats actually started to arrive on Thursday but the first planned event was 'Happy Hour' on Friday where everyone gathered on the party dock.

Saturday was devoted to taking in the Ganges Farmers Market in the morning followed by the afternoon Technical session which centered on the impact ultra low sulphur diesel fuel has on old engines.

Later we had a fabulous Crab Feed on the dock expertly prepared by Len, Ken and Craig.







Sunday started with the AGM which Joanne lured members to attend by supplying muffins and scones from Barb's bakery. (See the notes from the AGM on the prior page).







The afternoon was spent with an enjoyable bus ride around the local area. We first toured the Saltspring Brewery and tasted several beers. (I didn't know you could make beer from heather but one should know that the Scots would figure it out!) Before we got to the brewery, we passed the island's 'Stonehenge'. Turns out that a fugitive from the law took all of the loot he got from illegal gambling and settled on the island. I guess there wasn't much to do on the island because he spent some of his ill-gotten gains building his own 'Stonehenge' in his yard.









We then preceded to the Saltspring Island cheese factory, via Fulford Harbour. There we got to sample the goat cheeses and jams, which were terrific! Interesting note: the goats they have at the cheese factory are 'pets' and they actually get the goat milk from somewhere else!







The final stop was at a shop that made textiles. They had a lot of looms and sold the clothe they made. However, the really interesting thing they had was the BIGGEST PIG YOU EVER SAW!! We also think they make moonshine but can't verify that.







Seeing the country side around Ganges was very enjoyable.

The last event was the dinner at the Oystercatcher where we broke up into separate tables and just enjoyed each other company along with the food.





FIRST IMPRESSIONS

I joined the CS Association a few months ago and was looking forward very much to my first rendez-vous at Ganges. I began sailing late in life about 4 years ago. Started with a 27 footer graduating to my CS 36, Secondwind which I purchased last July.

I did a lot of research before deciding on a CS 36T and have been very happy with but slightly intimidated by the increase in length, one third, and weight, doubled, over my old boat. Learning to handle this larger boat by myself, I generally sail alone, is a bit tough. That's another reason I was looking forward to my first meeting with CS Owners Association last month in Ganges.

I needed a bit of encouragement, expert advice from CS owners, and just some plain good fun with like minded people. I got all of this in spades. I had two and a half days of fun and came away impressed with the level of knowledge that CSers have about their boats. It was incredibly informative to see how people have, in such innovative ways, modified and adapted their boats to their own specific needs.

Also, I found people genuinely friendly, communicative and helpful. I feel like the group is diverse, interesting, and fun. It has an international element with several boats up from Washington which is also great. I felt very much welcomed into the group which makes me want to come back for more rendez-vous and to get to know more people in the association.

So, you are going to be seeing more of me.

Aleck Ostry



Summer Snow Sets Record!!

A magic day today as Summer Snow set a speed and gear testing record crossing Georgia Strait from Silk Bay to Pender Harbour. Past commodore Norm Smyth and Capt. Henry flew the gennaker in winds gusting to 24 knots for 4 hours hitting speed over ground of 11.1 knots surfing wave fronts. Speed routinely at 8.8 to 9.2. The fastest summer snow has ever gone... One tough and fast boat...

Henry Kucera

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Technical Talk

As I am now thinking about technical talks and potential links on the web site to CS technical info I would appreciate both feedback and input.

One thing we discussed in Ganges was capturing all the past technical materials and posting them in a structure way on the web site. Also a possibility is a design with a schematic for each type of boat which would link to things such as Davits, port lites, companionway doors... propane lockers, anchor lockers, engine swaps, heating systems, biminis, enclosures, solar panels etc pictures, web links etc would be welcome. If we run out of ideas we can always discuss Anchor Types (ha ha ha.... seriously if anyone can remember the magazine that had the anchor analysis in it... let me know and we can start building references into the new web site..... I hope).

Also, questions are encouraged to help us find topics that will be good to discuss at rendezvous and dinners.

I am currently doing LED bulb upgrades on Summer Snow and its been magical to see the impressive impact on power consumption. If anyone has documented the amount of current reduction that would be good to post.

Next will be towable genoa cars and a solar panel so I will be linking in to members for selfish reasons.

ciao Henry

The "boats" portion of the website is designed to allow users to enter modification/upgrades to their boats - which information is then available to all members. The incentive for this feature was to allow users to discover "who had done what" and, hence, identify a possible source of advice.

Henry, the current website already includes links to a great deal of information, including all the CS West technical articles I was aware of, under the menu item Resources.

Don Grovestine



Westerbeke 30 Water Pump Notes

I would like to thank everyone who contacted me with regards to the Westerbeke W30 Fresh water coolant pump problems.

Marine parts Supply quoted me \$1,280 for the original Westerbeke pump. Following Brent Rindal's advice, I contacted ASAP supplies in Beccles, England. Three days later I had a new pump and gasket for an all in price of \$291, UK taxes, shipping and GST included. This pump has a smaller impeller, 70mm as opposed to the original 73mm, also the depth of the impeller is about 5mm shorter. Install and trialed yesterday everything appears fine. Pump part number is 131093

A couple of other items came up in my research:

BC Marine Pumps moved from North Vancouver to Garden Bay, Pender Harbour about 3 years ago, and within the Last year Harvey the owner has retired.

Ken Kloeber on the national CS list quoted me a rebuild price of \$175 US, not including shipping and taxes.

Also the Seattle Westerbeke dealer referred me to Automotive Friction Co, in Portland OR, who told me that they rebuild these pumps.

Thanks again everyone.

Danny Keeble

Misty Gray, CS 36T

CS Boats for Sale

CS27 Location Contact

Light Spirit Vancouver David Record (604)584-1260 sandrare@vcn.bc.ca

Comox. Monica McDermid. monicamcdermid@shaw.ca 250-898-4951© Pincoya.

CS33

Falcon. Listed with Paul Shield paulshield@telus.net 604-240-7310

www.alliedyachtsales.com Leo Rutledge cyeomans@shaw.ca 250-390-2109

Victoria. Barry Rolston . 250-652-5501 bwrolston@shaw.ca first morning. Huff N' Puff. Vancouver. Alec Lowenthal 604-738-1656 alo@direct.ca New Beginnings Sidney Yacht Sales West, Sidney. 250-656-6644

CS36 Traditional

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

Saracen Pender Island Frank Eadie 604-250-0540 feadie@shawbiz.ca Otter Bay

CS40

Katana Mount Seymour Yacht Sales, Granville Island, Vancouver

1987' Optical Illusion Currently sitting at Birch Bay, Washington, as is where is, \$59,000. US...estate

sale. Offshore equipped. Contact Dick Towson towsrjr@gmail.com

This boat is registered in Canada and will be sold in Canada.

Only temporarily in Washington State.

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Membership 2014-2015

At our CS West AGM at the last Ganges rendezvous, I managed to divest myself of the main part of my CS duties that I have been doing since we started in 1996 (I'll do it for a couple of years!) Since we have not had a boat for several years, it is definitely past time for new blood.

Keith Pettican of "Driftaway" (33) has kindly volunteered to take over Membership. If you have not yet renewed for 2014, you can send him a cheque for \$30. made out to CS Yacht Owners West. Keith also has the CS burgees (\$15.) Keith's address is:

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

<u>I will continue to manage the UBC database for this group email list.</u> Everyone on it can contact the membership by sending an email to <u>cs-west@interchange.ubc.ca</u>.

Emails not on the database will be rejected thus preventing spam. (Unless you keep the address in your Contacts and a virus gets into your address list and sends a suspicious looking message -supposedly coming from you. Rare –but has happened. Thankfully –not to me. Vigilance still required!).

Please let me know if you change your email address or wish to be removed from this list.

I will also continue to do odds and ends like the Boats for Sale list (any updates), ordering name tags, and issuing gentle reminders to Commodore (not sure about this –but her request).

CS West has been a big part of our lives for many years. Carsten and I have met a lot of wonderful and helpful people.

Thank you all.

Stephanie Greer

Ex - Membership Secretary





IN MEMORY OF BILL JACKSON



William Jackson, 66, passed away on June 17th, 2014, at his home in Ocean Park, Surrey B.C Bill was born in Vancouver in 1947 to Thomas and Florence Jackson.

He was the first born of 2 children, having a younger sister Barbara. After Graduating from Moody high school in Port Moody, Bill moved on to Simon Fraser University where several years later while there he met his soul mate Janet Richardson.

Bill and Janet were married on Dec. 27th, 1969 at the Star of the Sea church in White Rock BC. In order to finish his education as an optometrist Bill and Jan moved to Waterloo, Ontario where Jan worked as a school teacher to put Bill through school.

Upon graduating in 1972 they came back to beautiful BC where Bill started his optometry practice on Scott Road in Delta. At this time they also started their family: having a son Scott in 1973, followed by a daughter Christine in 1975.

Bill stayed within several miles of the original 1973 location on Scott Road moving twice until he and his partners opened Pacific Eye Doctors at 79th and Scott Road in 1988.

During this time Bill and Janet enjoyed a variety of activities together, ranging from curling, skiing, to tennis. However they had a special love of sailing, that led to purchasing a sailboat, which helped shape their adventures together. Bill also enjoyed the camaraderie and activities of the North Delta Rotary Club.

Doctor Jackson loved his chosen profession. He took particular delight in learning about his patients' lives and stories and had a passion for helping others. He was actively involved in the political aspects of his profession, and was the President of the British Columbia Association of Optometrists and sat on the College of Optometrists. Bill also donated his time and talents participating in Eyecare Projects around the world.

He is survived by his mother Florence, and his partner and wife of 44 years Janet Jackson. He also leaves behind children Scott and Rosanna Jackson, their children Linden and Ashlynn of Smithers B.C., and Christine and Boris Utzler and their children Matteo and Charlotta of Engen Germany. Bill is also survived by his sister Barbara her husband Rick and their family. Bill was preceded in death by his father Thomas Jackson in 1997.

Bill will be sadly missed by his family, many friends, his in-laws, and his colleagues.



IN MEMORY OF PAM SHENTON



Long time member of CS West, Pam Shenton passed away on April 26, 2014. She was born May 20, 1947 in Winnipeg, Manitoba and attended Saskatoon University majoring in nursing. She worked in Toronto in her profession until big city life got to her and she moved to BC.

Her career moved into teaching nursing at Langara Collage where she worked until retirement. Pam and Tom met in 1974 and married the following year.

Pam and Tom spent the years since retirement in 2008 on their beloved *Kewao*, sailing her to Mexico and spending each winter cruising the Sea of Cortez and the west coast of Mexico. They became members of the expat cruising community and enjoyed their time in the sun immensely.

A celebration of her life was held at their home on May 6, 2014 after a private cremation service. She is survived by their daughter Marilyn.



Pam & Tom Shenton on far left and Janet & Bill Jackson on far right (unknown couple in the middle). The picture was taken in Mexico.





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Raffle? - Did anyone volunteer to do this?

Don Grovestine – Webmaster - dgrovestine@shaw.ca 250-386-1783 **Cliff Kiyooka - Webmaster -** ckiyooka@shaw. 250-539-3256 (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.

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.

