

Comox Valley Yacht Club Bulletin

"The Blue Jeans Yacht Club"

Spring trilliums in Comox. Photo credit Bonnie Luterbach

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Upcoming Events:

Saturday, May 4th (or 5th) Sailpast,
Tree Island Clean Up and BBQ

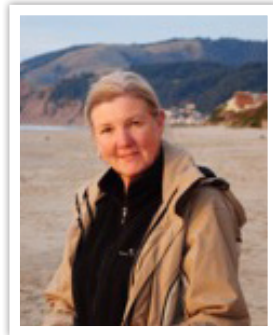
April 26th, 27th, 28th Ford's Cove
Spring Cruise

Please note there will NOT be a
Tech Night this month!

Commodore's Message

Commodore Jenifer Jennings

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It's a heartening time of the year as we all head down to our boats to start getting ready for the cruising season. Some in the Club are really working hard at it as they are leaving early to head up to Alaska. Others are feeling pushed to get ready for our Club's Spring Cruise to Ford Cove, and yet others might just be shipshape in time for our annual Sailpast. Whatever your deadline stress level is, you must admit it's fun to be on the docks and greet others from the Club and exchange 'boat talk'.

As I look at all the plastic garbage now on the Comox beach, I'm seeing far more junk than last year: shellfish baskets, those darn single-use water containers (what a waste!), plastic bags, bits of rope, a 5-gallon jerry can, etc., etc. Perhaps the increased plastic garbage is due to the extreme winter storms. I am so pleased our Club, as the Stewards of Tree Island, are doing our annual Clean Up there after our Sailpast. So, if you make no other deadline, please have your hardy vessel ready for the weekend of May 4th, or plan to come to the Skippers' Meeting where someone will be happy to take you onboard.

Jenifer



Past Years Sailpast, Tree Island
Clean Up and BBQ
Photo credit Bonnie Luterbach



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Boating season has begun! Lots of people on the docks and stories coming back in about prawning expeditions. Nice to hear that the prawn limits have stayed the same for 2019 after all, after rumours of reductions.

As we get ready for the season, I thought the following story might be timely. Last November I was out for the final trip of the year, heading into Gorge Harbour at dusk. I received a radio call from a friend's boat about a mile back informing me that I might get "visitors".

When you see these guys coming...



Make sure your report ends up like this...

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Next thing I knew, there was an R.C.M.P. RIB along side "pacing" Enter Laughing. "Should I stop?" I said. Response – "No; just keep going while we board you for a safety check."

Right about now it was nice to know that all the required safety gear was aboard. A very nice young officer went through the list; flares – check, flashlight – check, throw ring & line – check. Etc. – check, check, check. Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC)? – check. ROC(M) radio license? – check. Then – "May I see your vessels Pleasure Craft License?" That's not on the safety list is it? "Yes, you have to have it onboard or it's a violation". Fortunately, after digging to the bottom of my manuals drawer I was able to produce this suddenly critical piece of paper! Potential fines include \$250 + admin for PCOC, and \$200 + admin for Safety equipment!

Moral of the story – make sure all of your safety gear is onboard and current, as well as your vessel's license/ registration.

Reciprocals renewals are coming along. We've heard from six of the ten clubs we deal with. I'll call the other four next week, as well as get the required paperwork in order. One thing I learned was that many of our partnering yacht clubs heavily use the web site <https://yachtdestinations.org> for dealing with their reciprocals. Any of our members can set up an individual login as well and get information on all our reciprocal clubs in one place. Of course, we also have a list on our web site, and each partner club has reciprocal information on their own sites as well.

Happy Cruising,
Grant

Rear Commodore Report

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The Annual Commodore's Sail Past and Tree Island Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 4th this year. If the weather is uncooperative on the Saturday, we will bump the event to the following day with times and locations remaining the same. There is no sign up required and we usually get a good turnout for the Sail Past and then on to Tree Island for the Clean Up and cookout with food provided by the Club. This day is part of our community service to our fellow Comox Valley boaters and visitors and involves a good deal of fellowship as well. We hope to see as many participants as possible, as we report the numbers to Parks BC each year.

Also, on a Tree Island note, we recently received approval from Parks BC to invoice them for \$800, which the club will use to maintain the mooring buoy. Some years we get away with spending less than that, but other years more work or materials are needed. So, we will carry forward any unused amounts from this year to pay for years when we incur larger costs related to the buoy. Thanks Parks BC!

Despite many contacts and much time spent planning, our Tech Night for April just didn't come together. We thank David Alford for his continued efforts in making our Tech Nights interesting and informative.

Ken



Staff Captain Membership Report

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Current membership:

Full members	138
Associate Members	<u>7</u>
Total Membership	<u>145</u>

Note:

The updated membership lists (as of March 2019) are now online in the CVYC web site. The last update was October 2018. Everything highlighted is new information since the last update. If highlighted but now blank, **that** is the change, as something has been removed.

Welcome to the 6 new members who have joined us since November 1st: Warren and Brenda Janes, David and Diana Miller and Willie and Barbara Thomson. Roger and Barb Drake resumed full membership. Please check your own information and inform me of any updates or errors since your renewal/registration.

I am looking forward to seeing you all out on the water and at the events on land going forward through to October 2019. Happy sailing!

Sue

Quartermaster's Report

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The April 5th TGIF was a fun, well attended event and kept us busy all evening selling mugs and other items. Members who ordered items from our Spring 2019 Collection received their clothing.

Mugs are still available, even if you didn't order any. If you would like to purchase some mugs before the Ford's Cove cruise, you can contact Barb Hammer.

Members can continue to place orders for clothing. The order form is on the CVYC website, as well as a list of the current inventory.

Barbara Magnusson will bring mugs, hats, toques, burgees and samples of clothing to the Ford's Cove cruise.

Barb



Staff Captain Social Report

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March 1st – TGIF and Fashion Show were well attended and went over well. Bruce McAra played guitar; it was a lovely evening. I was able to sell 22 tickets to the St. Patrick's Trivia Pursuit Dinner.

March 3rd – My Committee (Helen Hull, Barb Drake-Douglas and Jackie Scott) met to work on and sort trivia questions. I showed them the power point presentation that Bruce and I developed; they seemed very pleased. Bruce worked hours to make it look very Irish.

March 13th – At the Tech Night I was able to sell 13 more tickets for a total of 35. I was pleased.

March 16th – Starting at 6:00 pm, our St. Patrick's Trivia Pursuit Dinner took place. I was very pleased with the response of our club members. They were happy with the food and they had fun with the Trivia game.

March 26th – I met with Ben Gill at Glacier Greens Golf Club to arrange for and decide on food for the April 5th TGIF. I also booked the October 4th TGIF with him.

April 5th – Our TGIF was a huge success with 71 people attending.

May 4th or 5th – Weather permitting, we have our Sail Past and Clean Up on Tree Island, with a beach barbeque afterwards. Details will come later.

Holly

Training Officers Report

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At the March Tech Night we introduced some of our local marine services. Mas Martin of Desolation Sound Yacht Charters gave a good presentation and explained the services they provide. This was followed by Stewart McKenzie from Comox Marine & Woodworking who talked about the safety of having propane sniffers on board our boats. He also spoke about the services his company provides. Unfortunately Sound Marine cancelled due to sickness.

There will be no Tech Night in April due to last minute cancellations.

Dave



DOCK TALK...



NOTE:

Dock Talk is a new place in the Bulletin for you to pass on notes of interest or a thank you to CVYC members. Please send a short note or a thank you to Bonnie's email address: bluterbach@shaw.ca. Pictures sent may be included in the Bulletin, if space allows, or on the Club web site.

CVYC HISTORY PROJECT

Did you know that this is the 20th year of the CVYC? We are starting to gather club historical artifacts for a club history section on our club web site. If you have pictures, old bulletins, membership lists, or other memorabilia from past club years, would you contact Bonnie Luterbach at bluterbach@shaw.ca please.

Also, if you are interested in helping with this project, please let Bonnie know. We will be gathering as many historical items as we can by this fall with the intention of organizing what we have gathered in order to keep an archive and to put some of it on the CVYC web site so members can easily access. If we can, we would like to scan papers and pictures or take pictures of objects, with the intent of being able to return items to you.

CVYC SONGBOOKS

If you like to sing along with the CVYC musicians, print out and bring along the two CVYC Songbooks to our cruises this year. You can find both the Original and Volume 2 of the Club Song Books if you log onto the club web site, <https://www.cvyclub.com> and then choose the links: Members Only/Social and Cruise Calendar. Scroll down to the Songbooks links.

INFORMATION FOR BOATERS ABOUT CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

During his presentation at the March Tech Night, Stuart MacKenzie reminded all CVYC boaters about the potential of carbon monoxide poisoning. You might want to check out the following web sites for further information:

<http://www.boatus.com/magazine/2011/august/poisoned.asp>

<https://www.kwch.com/content/news/NC-teens-dies-from-carbon-monoxide-poisoning-riding-the-back-of-a-boat-424718053.html>

<http://www.canadianyachting.ca/diy/safety/1479-insidious-carbon-monoxide>

Staff Captain Fleet Report

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The Spring Cruise, scheduled for April 26th, 27th, and 28th, is coming up quickly. The destination is Ford Cove on Hornby Island. To date 18 boats have signed up for the cruise and total number of members planning to be there is 41. The cost, including dinner at the Seabreeze Restaurant, bus transportation, rent for the dive shop at the marina, breakfast on Sunday, and various prizes is \$80 per person. A cruise poster has been sent out via email. For further information, email Leslie Giebelhaus at knlaway@gmail.com or phone her at 250-898-4330. Loads of thanks to Lauren, Brendan and Judy Somers and Kent and Leslie Giebelhaus for all their hard work in organizing this event!

The Commodore's Sailpast and Tree Island cleanup and BBQ are planned for **May 4th or 5th** (weather dependent). Details will be sent out to the membership one week prior to the event.

Check the <https://www.cvyclub.com> web site for information about the remainder of the organized cruises. The planning is coming along nicely, but those cruises which are later in the season have had scant response so far. The cruise captains would appreciate feedback so that they can plan accordingly.

Dennis

2019 Cruise schedule:

May 24th, 25th, 26th: *Lund/Okeover Seafood festival and seafood buffet*. Cruise Captain: Peter Manson, Email: pmanson45@gmail.com

June 29th, 30th, July 1st, and 2nd: *Rebecca Spit/Toba Inlet*. Cruise Captain: Roger Douglas, Email: rdouglas.cr@gmail.com

July 1st or August 10th: *Circumnavigate Vancouver Island*. Cruise Captain: Grant Watkins, Email: r1g2w3@hotmail.com

July 6th: *Dinghy Cruise to 19 Wing*. Cruise Captains: Kathy & Ray Fountain, Email: rnkfountain@shaw.ca

July 23rd to Aug 9th: *Hop on/Hop off fireworks cruise to Vancouver*. Cruise Captains: Dennis & Helen Hull, Email fancyfree2000@shaw.ca

Aug 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th: *Pre-Squirrel Cove*. Cruise Captain: Jerry Day, Email jjday@shaw.ca

Aug 30th, 31st, Sept 1st: *Season wind up with Squirrel Cove raft up*. Cruise Captain: Eileen Phillips, Email: singingsandsbeach@gmail.com

Flotsam and Jetsam



Do you have any boating 'stuff' for sale? Do you want to buy something that other members might have for sale? How about lost and found items? Send your information to the editor (bluterbach@shaw.ca) for inclusion in the Flotsam and Jetsam section. Include a description of the item (photo?), price if applicable, your name, telephone and/or email.

DISCOUNTS (SHOW YOUR CVYC CARD):

- **Comox Marine & Woodworking Ltd.** – 1782 Ryan Rd. East, Comox, **Phone:** 250-941-6699
Website: www.comoxmarine.ca
- **DSYC** – 10% discount on Marine mechanical services. **Phone:** 250-339-7222
Website: <http://www.desolationsoundyachtcharters.com>
- **Glenn Naylor Boat Photography** – (10% discount), **Phone:** 250-650-8979 **Email:** gnaylor@zoho.com
Website: www.gnaylorphoto.com
- **The Harbour Chandler Ltd.** – 52 Esplanade, Nanaimo, **Phone:** 250-753-2425
- **Ocean Pacific Marine Supply & Shipyard** – Discovery Harbour Shopping Centre, #102-1370 Island Highway, Campbell River. **Toll free:** 1-800-663-2294
- **Comox Valley Kayaks** – (10% discount) 2020 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay, **Phone:** 250-334-2628
- **Hartman Auto Supply** – 480 Puntledge Road, Courtenay, **Phone:** 250-338-7261
- **Industrial Plastics & Paints** – #2-2946 Kilpatrick Avenue, Courtenay, **Phone:** 250-334-2886,
Website: <https://goindustrial.ca/index.php/en/courtenay>

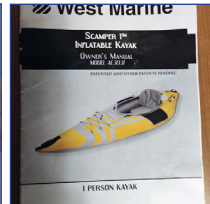
FOR SALE:

Two West Marine Scamper I four chamber inflatable kayaks (Length: 8'4"; Weight: 21 lbs.; Max Capacity: 250 lbs.; Model AE3031), with air pumps and carrying bags plus two brand-new Pelican kayak paddles.

All in very good condition. Ideal to carry in boats and cars. Quality materials.

Kayaks \$100 each; paddles \$50 each.

Good value. Contact George Luterbach at 250-897-5324 or b-gluterbach@shaw.ca.



The "Blue Pencil"

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*"It isn't that life ashore is
distasteful to me.
But life at sea is better."*

- Sir Francis Drake



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