

# Comox Valley Yacht Club Bulletin

*"The Blue Jeans Yacht Club"*



Tree Island Clean Up May 2017

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## Upcoming Events:

Saturday, May 12th – Sailpast,  
Tree Island Clean Up and BBQ

Friday, May 25th – Fun Golf  
Event

## Commodore's Message

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Spring has arrived and May will certainly bring us some sun and warmer temperatures for enjoying our boats. We were able to get up to Desolation Sound prawning in April and, while we had to head home early to beat a southeaster setting in, we had a great trip. For the first time in our memory we anchored in Squirrel Cove and we were the only boat! What an incredibly beautiful spot and to have it all to ourselves was a reminder that sometimes we don't have to go great distances to experience a serene, inspiring anchorage.

May will bring us the start of the cruising season, Spring Cruise to Ford Cove, Commodore's Sail Past-Tree Island Clean Up, and the Lund/Okeover Cruise. While we gather together through the winter to enjoy social events in town, I always love the spring when we start cruising as well as doing our various social events.

When I look back over time there is no doubt the best way to get the most out of being a member of our Club is to pitch in and help by being involved in the Club. So next time you hear a call for volunteers, put your hand up and volunteer. You will get to know other members, it is fun, and you have the satisfaction of helping us be a better Club!

We have had 28 responses to the on-line Membership Survey. In May we will be turning off the survey and collecting member responses for review. Be sure to log in and share your thoughts so we can ensure we are bringing good value for you.

Log on to our website [CVYclub.com](http://CVYclub.com) in the **Member's Only** section. The survey is located on the "CVYC Survey Tab" and is in two parts, Social and Cruising, and both parts are quite straight forward to fill out.

I look forward to seeing everyone on the water!!

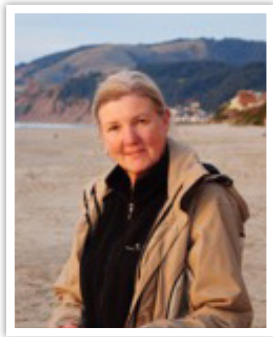
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**Reciprocal Agreements** – I've forwarded the signed Reciprocal Agreements to our partner clubs. While we are waiting for responses, I'm sure you can ask for reciprocal privileges from now on. Be sure to keep a photocopy of your "Proof of Liability Insurance" onboard as it is becoming increasingly necessary to provide it when using reciprocal privileges or docking at harbours run by municipal authorities.

**Website Manager** – Still looking for a back-up person to help Glenn with the website. **Please** consider volunteering!! Contact Glenn for more information.

**Interclub Meetings** – Jack and I attended the Council of BC Yacht Clubs meeting at the Capital City Yacht Club on April 14th. Once again I was blown away by the good work this body is doing on our behalf.

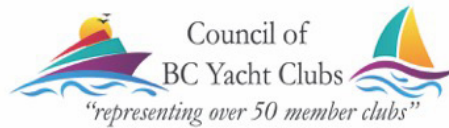
**AIS permits in Washington state** – one of our Council representatives regularly meets with the corresponding body from Washington State and he reported a new tax boaters are required to pay to enter Washington waters (salt or fresh). You must pay for an Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permit – US\$24. To learn more, see this website: [https://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/ais\\_prevention/](https://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/ais_prevention/). Note that the federal customs officers may not be aware of this permit requirement. State fisheries officers will be inspecting for the permits and during this inaugural year you will be given 5 days to purchase a permit if you are stopped and found to be without one.

**BC Marine Parks Forever Society** – George Creek, the President, managed to get a 30 minute meeting with the provincial Minister of Environment, George Heyman – quite an achievement. He talked about the value of recreational boating to the provincial economy (huge!), and the debris on beaches and the ocean bottom from active and inactive aquaculture sites. He also handed over a cheque for \$750,000 raised by the Society for the purchase of Harmony Island to add it to the provincial marine parks system.

**Vacant private buoys** – I volunteered to run a project over this summer to put some parameters around the problem with anchorages clogged with vacant private buoys. If the responses indicate there is an interest in dealing with this, the Council may decide to determine a process to attempt to resolve the issue. Please see the poster following - and please help out.

**Minutes** – You'll see the complete Minutes of the Council's meeting on our website under the "Member's Only" drop down menu, "Photos and Reports". There is information about geoduck harvesting in Squirrel Cove (unmarked netting on the bottom), their opposition to the Port Harvey barge shipyard, and more.

*Jenifer*



## **To all members of the Council of BC Yacht Clubs**

### **Mooring Buoy Proliferation Problem**

At the recent Council meeting it was decided that, before attempting to address the problem of mooring buoys cluttering up anchorages and harbours, the first step should be to identify the actual scope of the problem. Jenifer Reynolds, from Comox YC, has taken on the task of organizing this. The message below is from her. It is being sent to all Council members, and also to all Yacht Clubs directly. Please encourage the members of your club to participate.

In order to determine if vacant private mooring buoys, either legal or illegal, are unduly restricting anchoring in popular anchorages, the Council of BC Yacht Clubs is requesting your help during the 2018 cruising season. To ask your club members to participate, could you please forward the attached information to them? ([click here to open the attachment](#)). It is a few simple questions that can be sent by email to the Council when one of your members encounters an anchorage clogged by buoys.

As well as random reports, your yacht club may wish to concentrate on a few anchorages that are close to home. That would also be useful data for us.

Thank you very much for distributing this request to all your club members. If you have questions, please contact Jenifer Jennings - [jjr@telus.net](mailto:jjr@telus.net).



## Rear Commodore Report

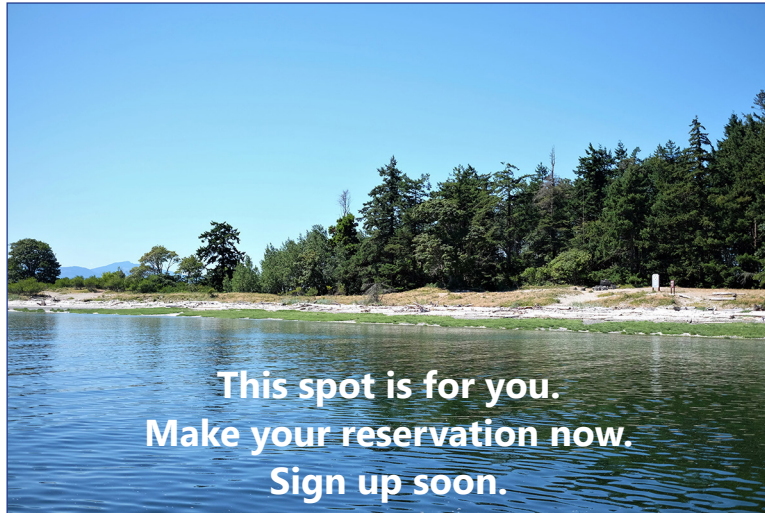
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## Tree Island Hosting



So far, we have two weekends covered for this summer June 8 – 10, and July 13 – 15. That means we have over ten weekends available for you to sign up.

Below is a brief summary of what's involved:

- Pick up the Host Kit and head to the Island on Friday afternoon. You get to use the CVYC Mooring buoy for the whole weekend (Fri – Sun)! Identify your boat with the Park Host banners.
- Go ashore mid afternoon each day with brochures (in the Kit), a garbage bag for any trash, and TP for the out houses. Meet and greet visitors, answer questions. You'll have a BC Parks vest, shirt, or hat if you want to use them. As a Host you're not required to admonish those with loose dogs, or campfires, etc. We are not Wardens.
- Take your dingy around to anchored boats with brochures to pass out.
- Fill out our Log sheets (in the Kit) regarding the number of visitors and boats, as well as any comments you have.

Contact me at [r1g2w3@hotmail.com](mailto:r1g2w3@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

To sign up go to [CVYclub.com](http://CVYclub.com) » Members Only » Tree Island Calendar » then click the “HERE” button to access the Calendar. If you prefer I can put you in the Calendar. This is a volunteer program. Sign up if you want to. Many have really enjoyed their weekends on the island.

**Tech night:** Thanks again to Eric and Bronwen for organizing Glenn's great talk on bears and cougars in the bush. Thanks to Glenn as well!

**Stores:** New purchases are coming – thanks Barb.

*Grant*

## Quartermaster's Report

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It's a busy and fun time of year, getting the boat ready for the cruising season. Some of us have yards and gardens to toil in as well. The sunshine and warmer temperatures have certainly been appreciated.

Spring Cruise to Ford Cove - Ken and I have rented a cabin and will arrive on Thursday afternoon, departing early Sunday morning. Drop by to look at the inventory and pick up the goodies you have ordered. Burgees, can cozies and other miscellaneous items will also be available. We accept cheques or cash.

Members who have placed an order but will not be at Ford Cove, please contact me to arrange a pick-up time. Member's clothing orders should be available by Wednesday afternoon.

*Barb*



## Staff Captain Membership Report

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Our membership is steady this month at 141 members. There are no new members although a few potential connections have been made (watch this space!).

The membership lists will be updated online at the end of this month, before our first cruise to Ford Cove. Please ensure that all your information is correct on the new list.

For those of you who have not explored the site, you can print off the lists of members' boats alphabetically or by owner name with their contact information by going to the 'Members Only' section. This is so you can make a copy to keep on your boat when cruising, to facilitate communication for the Cruise Captains and all members when out on the water.

See you out there on the 'briny' soon.

*Sue*

## Staff Captain Fleet Report

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Well, here we go for another great summer of cruising!

The huge response for our Spring Cruise at Ford Cove this coming weekend is a promising start. The Lund/Okeover Cruise is now full. Talk to Ted Trueman if you want to go on a wait list for this popular event.

You have received an email outlining the Sailpast/Tree Island Cleanup on May 12th and any change that may occur there is weather related, and you will be notified.

Check our CVYC website for a newly-added Dinghy Cruise on July 21st.

I sent the list of cruises by email so that you can let Cruise Captains know if you will be participating in their cruise, and so that you can start seriously planning your summer.

*Dennis*



## Training Officers' Report

**Bronwen & Eric Young**

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This will be the last you hear about Tech nights until the speakers and dates are arranged for September and October. I am close to having these 'in the bag'!

I hope you have enjoyed our speakers so far. A special thank you to our Club members Sheila Borman, Tom Bennett and Glenn Naylor who all volunteered their time and experience.

In the meantime, have an awesome boating season and I hope to see you out on the water!

*Bronwen*

## Staff Captain Social Report

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We had a successful TGIF on April 6th with an above-average turnout.

We were unable to find a venue (with alcohol) for our “Chilly Cookoff” so we postponed it until the fall. We planned a dock party while the sun was shining and then, wouldn’t you know it, the weather gods frowned and called for rain. Another party cancelled! Thanks for trying anyway, Kathy Fountain.

**TREE ISLAND CLEAN UP AND BARBEQUE - May 12:** After the Sailpast on May 12th (or alternate date of May 13th if the weather isn’t cooperating) we sail over to Tree Island for the annual Tree Island Clean Up and BBQ.

Things to bring: Gloves and large garbage bags for the Clean Up; either a salad or dessert to share; a beverage of your choosing; seating is limited so lawn chairs come in handy.

What we provide: Smokies, buns, condiments, flatware and plates.

**GOLF AND BBQ AT COMOX GOLF COURSE - May 25:** This is a fun event and you do not have to be a golfer to participate.

### **Schedule of Activities:**

*3 pm: Charge your glasses and enjoy the Trick Shot show (approx. 30 -40 minutes) and tips on how to win the CVYC fun golf event.*

*3:30 to 5 pm: We have golf clubs for everyone so if you don’t have clubs don’t worry, come join us!*

- Driving range shots - chip, drive, swing for your life to hit the boat, life ring, lines, buoys or Skipper. 6 balls per person.*
- Move over to the area by the practice putting green. Chip to land your ball in the dinghy floating in the pond.*
- 3 balls per person.*
- Practice Green – well not exactly - go in the dining room and putt down the carpet, out the door, onto the practice putting green to possibly sink your ball. 3 balls per person.*

*5 pm: BBQ provided by the Saand Trap Bar & Grill.*

**Cost:** \$25 per person includes golf, Trick Shot show and BBQ. This event will go ahead regardless of rain or sun as the driving range tee off area is covered. RSVP required - let me know if you will be joining us for our 1st CVYC fun golf event! Wanda - [svnimue@gmail.com](mailto:svnimue@gmail.com).

Keep your eyes on the website calendar for “pop-up parties” on the dock - last minute sunny day gatherings.

The boating season has finally arrived and CA and I look forward to seeing you out on the water this summer. Happy Boating.

*Wanda*



## New Members - Welcome Tatjana and Walter Stolting!

Tatjana and Walter Stolting are new owners of a Ranger Tug R25. Both are new to boating and looking forward to slowly getting into it, without hitting anything unwanted. Luckily their boat has thrusters, so don't be too concerned when they are around!



Tatjana and Walter moved to the Comox Valley from Germany about 15 years ago with their two kids, Victoria and Thomas. Walter lived in Victoria in the 80's and fell in love with Vancouver Island. After working in Germany for 12 years, he convinced his young family to move back to Canada with him and settle in the most beautiful place he could think of.

For more than a decade, besides raising their kids, Walter and Tatjana have been building their business "Spirits of the West Coast Native Art Gallery" on Back Road. You might have seen their new Big House style building going up last fall, close to the McDonald Road turn-off.

Besides skiing, hiking, golfing and now boating, they were heavily involved in the local theater community, since their daughter Victoria followed her passion to become a professional actor/dancer/singer. Both kids have graduated in the last couple of years and are living in Victoria and the Comox Valley.





## 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 ([jjr@telus.net](mailto:jjr@telus.net)) 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):

- **Ocean Metal Custom Steel Fabricators Inc. Discount:** 10% off labour for swaging of stainless steel lifelines during April, May and June. **Phone:** 250-218-4028 **Website:** [oceanmetal.ca](http://oceanmetal.ca) **Email:** [nuno@oceanmetal.ca](mailto:nuno@oceanmetal.ca)
- **DSYC** – 10% discount on Marine mechanical services. **Phone:** 250-339-7222 **Website:** [desolationsoundyachtcharters.com](http://desolationsoundyachtcharters.com)
- **Glenn Naylor Boat Photography** – (10% discount), **Phone:** 250-650-8979 **Email:** [gnaylor@zoho.com](mailto:gnaylor@zoho.com)  
**Website:** [www.gnaylorphoto.com](http://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
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- **Industrial Plastics & Paints** – #2-2946 Kilpatrick Avenue, Courtenay, **Phone:** 250-334-2886,  
**Website:** [www.ippnet.com](http://www.ippnet.com)

### FOR SALE OR WANTED:

**Wanted:** Bob and Lois Stevenson would like to purchase used charts for SE Alaska. If you are interested, please contact them at [lois.stevenson55@gmail.com](mailto:lois.stevenson55@gmail.com) or 250-702-2131.

**For Sale:** Standard Horizon RAM 3, CMP 30 (Remote Access Microphone). \$80.00. Never been used, excellent condition. Compatible with 2013 to 2015 Standard Horizon fixed mount radios, GX1600, GX1700, GX2000 & GX2200. Comes complete with 20 ft. connection cable, connection plate and microphone hook. Has a DSC emergency button. Ideal to connect remotely from sailboat cockpit to cabin mounted radio or on a motor vessel from cabin helm to bridge helm. Contact Gary Campbell at 250-897-1085.

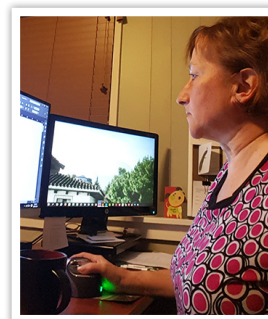


**For Sale:** New never used stainless steel Seadog anchor roller. Contact Joe Graceffo at 250-897-5915 or [jgraceffo@telus.net](mailto:jgraceffo@telus.net)



*"There is nothing like lying flat on your back on the deck, alone except for the helmsman aft at the wheel, silence except for the lapping of the sea against the side of the ship. At that time you can be equal to Ulysses and brother to him."*

*-Errol Flynn, Actor*



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