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Commodore's Corner

Happy New Year! As we head into what will promise to be a decisive year, I would like to look back on a truly fantastic year that has past.

It was a year of many accomplishments:

- Cass Jutting and the Entertainment Committee re-invigorated our Commodore's Ball and kicked off our 70th year.
- We hosted the first Invictus Sailing Team's training camp and Ryan and I continued on supporting that team as coaches to an amazing race in Sydney Australia
- A re-established CISM sailing team looked to CFSA to host their training camp and Clay Mills represented us as Skipper in Finland.
- Steph Leblanc put on a great Opening Day with an a fantastic post-Oriole sail past.
- Bill MacDonald spearheaded our participation as Co-Host of the Melges 24 World Champions
- Our Cruisers got out to the Broken Islands Group and all came back
- We re-established our Dinghy Regatta
- The Whaler returned
- We had an amazing Rendezvous in Port Browning
- Our PHRF Regatta was another success under Neil Porter
- Our Team Tournament also returned with our resurgent Jr Division

The list above is not exhaustive, there is so much that has happened and that is good going on at our club. As we turn our gaze to the future, there is so much to look forward to. Our regattas, events and the camaraderie will continue. Our people, members, volunteers, sailors and crew make our club vibrant and an exciting place to be. I am so

excited to see what happens this New Year; what I know is that this club will continue to be the same vibrant and exciting place to be. There will be changes though. Our transformation committees are working ever so hard. We have some amazing leaders that are taking charge of our future and charting the course to our new location.

As the new reality of our future location comes to be laid bare, the challenges are not insignificant. We as a club will rise to meet those challenges, and we will all examine the problems and challenges together. Our constitution is built on committees and teams of interested people volunteering their time to solve problems and recommend courses of action. As your executive has been striving to re-establish governance by committee over the last year, I encourage more people with interest to get involved and to volunteer to sit on those committees and participate in the solutions being developed.

We are at a crossroads as a club, the AGM has signaled a bold vote of confidence in our future as a club and a commitment by you our members to forge ahead with the plans being developed. CFSA will remain a low cost volunteer sailing club and everyone now a member has a place in our club at our new location. My commitment to our membership is that we will work with members to develop mechanisms that will help enable everyone to come to the new location with their boat.

As we face these challenges, please, sign up a friend. More than anything, our strength is in our people, and though we have always had quality people, quantity has its own quality and will help those charged

with selling our plan to the authorities in Ottawa.

More immediately, the parties are coming. The New Years Day Regatta hosted by DSA is happening again this year. With thanks to BC Sailing we have a Victoria Royals Night planned on the 12th of January. Details on tickets to come shortly. Our Awards night is going to be held on the 16th of February and our Commodore's Ball is on the 23rd at the Wardroom. These two later events are all great ways to celebrate your club, its achievements and the amazing work of volunteers to make your club the amazing place that it is. I therefore think that, as the Navy demands, it is fitting that today - Monday - as the year comes to an end, we toast our ships; their allure has brought us together as a club. After Midnight tonight, on Tuesday, we toast our sailors and the amazing people that keep us coming back and make our organisation worth fighting for. Together these two things are the heart and soul of CFSA. I wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Upcoming Events

Feb 6-10

Vancouver Boat Show
(A few free tickets at the bar)

Feb 16

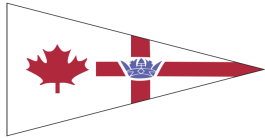
Awards Night

Feb 16-18

Frozen Assets regatta at
RVicYC

Feb 23

Commodore's Ball



Around the Club

ESQUIMALT HARBOUR - MARINE BLASTING - 01 DEC 18 - 15 FEB 2019

Marine drilling and blasting will occur in the B jetty area on:

01 DEC 18— 15 FEB 19

First blast is not expected until approx 11 DEC with 1 to 2 blasts per week for December. This may increase to 2 to 3 times a week in JAN and FEB 19.

Blasts will be preceded by 12 short blasts on an air horn and the all clear will be 1 prolonged blast

Ships will be contacted daily when blasting will occur. Although a time may be set, there are a number of conditions that must be met before a blast can occur. If any of these conditions are not met then the blast will be delayed. Delays can be 30 minutes or longer

All small boats are to give the A3/B jetty/C1 jetty a wide berth and minimum wake when crossing and are not permitted to enter the waters between A3 and C1 jetty without the express permission of QHM Operations .

Swimming and diving operations are not permitted during blast times in Esquimalt harbour. Units planning any exercise involving divers/swimmers are to ensure clearance is given by QHM Operations

Personnel are not permitted to enter contractor work areas which are surrounded by yellow fencing, without the permission of the contractor.

POC:

Ian Wiggs,
Harbour Control Officer,
250-363-2162,
Dan Walushka,
Harbour Operations Officer,
250-363-2160

History of the Whaler Race

By Mary Gasser

There was a whaler race every **New Year's Day** at the "**Royal Canadian Navy Sailing Association**" **RCNSA Halifax N.S.** It was mighty cold in January, sailors! Most of the Navy ships and bases competed. The local yacht clubs were challenged to participate. Weather conditions were often so brutal so that sailors sometimes had to peel encrusted salt off their faces!

Dave Gasser (joined RCNSA in 1954) raced whalers in Halifax and when he and his family moved back to balmy Victoria 1967 he was very surprised to note there were no New Year's Day whaler races at the club in Esquimalt, now called CFSA. Dave and the executive started the Esquimalt whaler races the following year. The ships, in port, sent whalers and crews to our club. Others could join in the fun and the competition was fierce .

They also named the club newsletters "**The Whaler**" and published a Club Annual every year. **Jim and Betty Tyre , John Pirquet , Judy Dennett** and many others were the hard working volunteer publishers.

The two-masted whalers were sadly not fitted on the newer naval frigates.

Eventually the **New Year's Day "NOT A WHALER RACE"** was born. It raises money for the **Disabled Sailing Association**. It is a wonderful family day for everyone. Pancake breakfast starts the day. There are crazy rules and bun fights, sailing backwards, sailing with a blindfold on (tough on **Pat Nicholson**, the single handler) and many funny tricks to try. The prize giving is a hoot and sure gets you laughing. Not to be missed. Take it all in next New Year's Day 2020.

Our present Commodore, **Chris Maier**, has renewed "**THE WHALER**" as an e-newsletter. BZ !

Looking For Volunteers

We are looking for individuals that are interested in helping their club out. Our push for volunteers has been largely successful, but we remain short of a couple of positions. Our highest priority is for the position of Training Officer.

We have a couple of volunteers that are able to help a new training officer, but due to scheduling conflicts cannot take the lead.

If you are interested in overseeing an amazing group of instructors and helping to organize a really exciting programme of summer and spring courses, please contact the commodore.



Parking

If you park a vehicle on CFSA property you must display a CFSA parking decal. The commissionaires are handing out tickets and will tow. Purchase your parking decals at the bar \$2.00. License plate numbers are required. If you have an old decal you are good until April 1, 2019. Everyone will need to purchase a new decal on April 1, 2019 when memberships are renewed.

Update your racing application

All racers are required to complete the application for racing for the 2019 season.

CFSA Racing Registration Form



Members

Commodore's Formal February Fete

Date: 23 February 2019

Timing: 1800hrs Cocktails
1900hrs Dinner

Where: Naden Wardroom

Dress: Black Tie, Mess Kit
Mess kit has been approved for former and CAF members serving

Dancing to follow

Tickets: Tickets available for purchase at CFSA Bar
Price: \$75.00
Tickets can be reserved via
email: cass.jutting@outlook.com

Payment for tickets must be received by 15 Feb 19

PROSSER TROPHY

Donor: Commander Prosser
1958

Inscription:
"Prosser Trophy"

Description: Silver base
ocean 4 3/4" x 8 3/4" with gaff
rigged cutter, 6" overall,
mast 7 3/4", three foresails.
Base dark wood 14 1/2" x 10 1/2" with glass cover.



Use: Open for Outstanding Service to CFSA by person(s).

Award History:

2009	Pauline Haines	2014	Derk Van Hees/Barry White
2010	Bill Macdonald	2015	Ken Belliveau
2011	Derk Van Hees	2016	Ray Weisgerber
2012	Mary Gasser/Jane Tyre	2017	Foreshore Work Party
2013	Jan Palle	2018	To be announced Feb 16

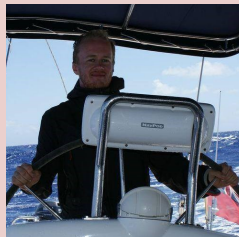
New Award

"Commodore's BZ (Bravo Zulu) Award" was established at the last Executive Meeting. The award is "In recognition of deeds and service beyond the demand of normal membership". This award would be to recognize actions of a one-time nature and could be awarded as required and not just on an annual basis. Deserving members are to be forwarded to the Commodore and Member at Large with a Citation and ratified by the Executive Committee.

BRAVO ZULU!

Our Incoming Executive Members:

Thank you for stepping up: Tanya Carr, Leslie Basham, Alex Brown, Yvan Sylvestre, Aaron Weisgerber & Russ Smith





Racing and Athlete Development

CISM Sailing

The CISM sailing team is spooling up again for next year's competition. We've been trying hard to position CFSA to play a leadership role in CISM as an enabler of the sport and as a source for premier sailors. To that end, we are looking to establish a position for a CISM Athlete Development Officer that could help CFSA members train as a team to qualify for the CISM positions. This year 470s will be raced in Beijing. Please speak with the Vice-Commodore if you're interested.

Training Opportunities

Offshore Personal Survival Course (2 day, Sail Canada - World Sailing)

Saturday-Sunday, March 23-24, 2019, Victoria, BC

Advance Registration: opens December 1, 2018

- contact your 2019 Van Isle 360 or 2020 Vic-Maui skipper for Advance Registration information

General Registration: opens January 12, 2019 at 0700 PDT

BC Sailing Training Camps:

BC Sailing will be hosting 4 high performance sailing camps for Optimist sailors in 2019: Easter, San Francisco, Squamish, and Remembrance Day. Tine Moberg-Parker will be the high performance coach for these camps and will work collaboratively with local coaches.

Tine Moberg-Parker is well-known in the BC sailing community as an Olympic sailor

CALLING
ELITE & COMPETITIVE
SAILORS

THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES CISM SAILING TEAM
IS SEEKING ELITE AND COMPETITIVE SAILORS TO JOIN THE TEAM.
REGULAR FORCE AND RESERVE FORCE MEMBERS ARE BOTH ELIGIBLE.

FOR THE
2019 SAILING SEASON,
WE ARE FOCUSED ON PREPARING TEAMS TO RACE THE 470 CLASS DINGHY
AT THE WORLD MILITARY GAMES IN WUHAN, CHINA.

SELECTION CRITERIA INCLUDE:

- Significant and recent dinghy racing experience (e.g. multiple dinghy races in fleets of 10 to 30+ boats).
The ideal candidate(s) would be a current or recent member of his/her provincial sailing team.
- Weight: Optimum crew weight for 470 class is 240-320 lbs (110-145 kg) total or approximately 140 lbs (64 kg) per person.
- Extensive knowledge of the Racing Rules of Sailing.
Highly skilled with trapeze and symmetrical spinnaker.

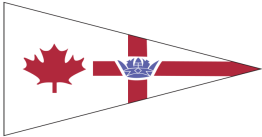
Interested athletes should contact the team manager,
Lt(N) Kevin Pallard 902-427-3632 or kevin.pallard2@forces.gc.ca

<http://www.cacconnection.ca/NationalPrograms-Services/For-Military-Personnel/Military-Sports/CISM-and-International-Sports/CISM-Sports.aspx>
<http://www.facebook.com/CISM.Sailing.Canada/>

and an elite coach of youth sailors. She has over 20 years of experience coaching with BC Sailing and has been involved in youth sailing her entire life. She has been a mentor and coach to countless youth sailors in BC and Canada. Parents of sailors have relied on Tine to support and nurture their children both on and off the water. Tine has taken young sailors to

local, national and international regattas in addition to providing high performance camps.

BC Sailing is fortunate to have Tine's experience, commitment and skills to offer to young sailors who aspire to move their sailing skills to the next level.



Race Announcements

Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club



The 38th Annual



Blackline Patos Island Race

Open to all PHRF and approved one-designs

Part of the Vancouver Island Racing Series

Patos Long Course is a Van Isle 360 qualifier

Registration opens January 7, 2019



April 6-7, 2019

patosislandrace.com

Registration closes Midnight March 31, 2019

Photo by Andrew Madding