

The Whaler

Canadian Forces Sailing Association



Commodore's Corner

Upcoming Events

Jan 1

DSA Not a Whaler
Whaler Race

Jan 12

BC Sailing—Victoria
Royals Night

Jan 12, 1600

Jr Division Parents
meeting in the
clubhouse

Feb 6-10

Vancouver Boat Show

Feb 16

Awards Night

Feb 16-18

Frozen Assets regatta at
RVicYC

Feb 23

Commodore's Ball

I want to thank all of those who came out to the AGM. We had a full house and a fulsome discussion of so many issues. Kevin Greenwood, chairman of the Future Property Committee remarked to me after the meeting that he felt re-energized; I fully agree and feel confident that so many members are willing to stand behind their club and vote for a positive future. Personally It has been a mad rush to put everything together for the meeting and I want to express my appreciation for all of the people that have put so much into their club over the past year and who helped to put the words in my mouth so that we, as a team, can express a well thought out plan that we can all support.

The dedication that so many volunteers, members of committees, and tireless Tuesday/Thursday work party volunteers has been recognized in the decisions and actions of the general membership. **We decided that our club is worth betting on and it's worth sending a strong signal that cannot be mistaken for anything but a solid vote of confidence in our future.**

I know how difficult price increases can be, and I know that these increases will have different impacts on different people. They were not made lightly. The committee that was appointed to struggle with this difficult issue spent a lot of time studying the market, the competition and looking at our membership. Our hope is that with the changes to the membership structure, we've been able to strike a balance between ensuring that there is a place to continue calling 'our club' as members and securing a physical place for us to put our boats in five years.

I would like to thank Pauline Haines for her continued dedication to Marine Parks Forever as our ambassador to that organization. It gives me great hope for our future that moving forward with the high cost of our new location we have not forgotten who we are as a cornerstone of the sailing community in Southern Vancouver Island; we continue to support the causes and organizations that are so important to all who sail these waters.

On a similar note, Bill MacDonald remarked to me that he was quite happy to see us going back to our full support of BC Sailing, Sail Canada and World Sailing. This is done through annual dues that we, as a Sail Canada Club, pay for each member boat. **Each person with a boat should have a membership.** We get so much from this organization and they represent our interests as supporters of the sport of sailing. For instance, in January they have organized an opportunity for us to show off our sailing programme at a Victoria Royals Ice Hockey game. They provide coaches when we cannot, support Provincial and National Sailing Teams and fund our Olympic Sailors. We can again look with pride at our Olympians and know that we've helped to get them to their goals.

Lastly, the Christmas and Holiday Season is upon us. I want to Thank our CFSA Power Couple: Adam Checketts and Cass Jutting who organized an amazing prime rib dinner and day with Santa Clause. We are still looking for people to help take the load off Training and to round out the Entertainment Committee when they are posted. Please stay safe out there and plan a safe ride home, or keep a heater in your boat if you enjoy those mixed beers Ray keeps pouring!

CFSA IS SOCIAL!

Here are some great hashtags we use at the club and around the community:

#CFSA

#RCNavy

#RCNSails

#YYJSailing

#VISailing

#CFSAJr

Join
Us
Online



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CFSA Esquimalt Racing
Fleet (Closed)



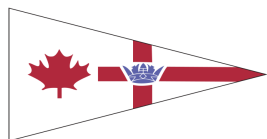
CFSA Junior Sailing



CFSA Cruising Group
(Closed)



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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, 3-2162, Dan Walushka, Harbour Operations Officer, 3-2160

Executive for 2019

Commodore—Chris Maier

Vice Commodore—Alex Brown

Rear Commodore—

Treasurer—Jon Palle

Secretary—Yvan Syvester

Foreshore—Russ Smith

Moorage—Dave Blake

Fleet Captain—Leslie Basham

Entertainment—Tanya Carr

House and Grounds—Dana Govang

Small Boat—Aaron Weisgerber

Membership - Fern Beattie

Environment & Safety—Ray Stacey

Communications—Ray Weisgerber

Assistant-Treasurer—Brendan Carver

Webmaster—Ellery Down



Junior Advisor
Training officer
Race Captain
PHRF Rep

Winter Cruise Idea

The Vancouver Boat Show is always well attended by CFSA Members. Are you planning to attend? Why not organise a group trip with fellow members?

DSA Victoria

Will be hosting our traditional annual New Years Day Regatta and we are hoping for your participation. Please join us for Pancake Breakfast at on New Years Day and the fun won't stop there! Our wacky regatta will begin after that! Buns will be available for purchase at the clubhouse during registration. Start getting your costumes or musical instruments together and don't forget to rehearse some songs for extra points! After racing meet us back at the clubhouse for Moose Milk and Clam Chowder. It's a terrific way to begin the New Year and everyone has such a great time. We would love to see you all that day and enjoy your continued support. We have some great prizes to give away. All clubs are welcome to participate! Contact: jo-russ@live.com for more details. You won't want to miss this!

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.



The Sailing Community

HOW TO MAKE YOUR OWN NAUTICAL ROPE COASTERS

You will need:

- Rope of your choice (3/4" thickness works best)
- Hot glue gun, scissors & embroidery needle
- 1 piece of felt
- Bakers twine or thin decorative line

Steps:

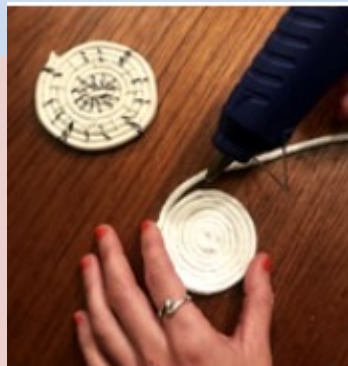
Step 1: Measure and cut your rope to 45" in length (or longer for desired size).

Step 2: Begin coiling from the center, adding a dab of hot glue every inch or so to retain shape.

Step 3: Thread your needle with bakers twine. Beginning on the underside, thread in between coils in desired pattern.

Step 4: Trace coaster onto felt, cut out and glue to the bottom of coaster. Trim to fit.

Brew yourself a cup of Foreshore Coffee et Voilà!



Sailing Inspired DIYs

When I was about 10 years old, living in Trenton, Ontario, my parents saw a large billboard in town with the words "Summer Sailing Lessons, Military Discount" plastered in large font. Maybe it was the discount that peaked their interest (they happen to be notoriously frugal), or maybe they just needed a quick fix for summer supervision...whatever the reason, we were registered.

From then on, most of my brother's and I's summers were spent mostly on the water - first as students and then as Instructors. I don't know what I loved more about sailing: actually sailing, OR everything else that went along with sailing school. I think it was the latter.

To this day, I still love everything that makes sailing possible: the ropes of different thickness; the knots, whipping and splicing; the art of sailmaking and sail repair; shiny hardware and the constant sound of club members grinding down and sanding away parts of their boat.

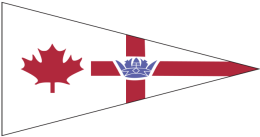
Like any sailor, my hands are always busy with projects, but mine tend to be things intended to make spaces beautiful, inspired by what I see around my yacht clubs. If you've ever wanted to bring sailing from the outdoors in, I hope you enjoy this little how-to using materials you probably already have kicking around your boat!

~Amie Renaud *(If you enjoy this DIY and want to see more, make sure to follow me on Instagram @monamiemakes)*



CFSA IS A PROUD MEMBER OF





Members

EIGHT BELLS

A message from the Commodore:

John Pirquet, skipper of Hilda Harris passed away this weekend. I knew John on the Race Course. He seemed to always be having a great time loving life and sailing. He was a gentleman sportsman who would always pass me closer than he needed to, and with a big smile would heckle something incoherent at me in as thick a Scottish accent as he could muster expecting the skipper of Argyle to be able to comprehend. I understand others were treated to his delightful singing voice! He was both a great competitor and a great person to be around. I know that we will all miss his presence on the water and his friendship in the clubhouse.

I will send updates as I learn them, in the meantime, our thoughts as a club are with Lyn and John's Family.



SRU(P) AWARD

Donor: Captain(N) L.R. Murray, CD, CO SRU(P) 1984

Inscription: "For Distinguished Service"

Description: Teak bass relief carving 19 1/2"x 16 3/8"x 1 3/8". Four sailboats under full spinnaker sailing towards viewer. Carved by Jay Unwin an apprentice in the dockyard who later achieved some fame as a local artist. He died in a car accident in Dec 1996.

Use: Awarded annually to the incumbent of an **elected or appointed position for DISTINGUISHED SERVICE.**



1988	<u>Cdr J. Pirquet</u>	2014	Trina Holt
2010	Paul Blumenstock	2015	Bill Brekelmans
2011	Jon Palle	2016	Pierre Berube
2012	Dana Gavong	2017	Christopher Maier
2013	John Haggis	2018	

PARKING PASSES NOW AVAILABLE!

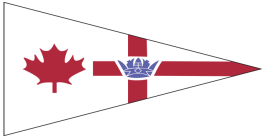
\$2.00 at the CFSA Bar

BRAVO ZULU!

Our Outgoing Executive Members:

Thank you for your dedication and amazing contribution! *Ben Sproule, Steph Leblanc, Bob Gauthier, Jen Harvey, Graham Heath, Bill White, Cass Jutting & Adam Checketts*





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

Announcing their participation:

— 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.

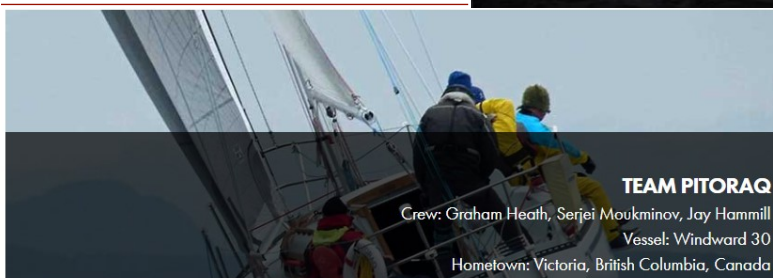
Extensive knowledge of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

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.cafconnection.ca/NationalPrograms-Services/For-Military-Personnel/Military-Sports/CISM-and-International-Sports/CISM-Sports.aspx>

<http://www.facebook.com/CISM.Sailing.Canada/>



TEAM PITROAQ

Crew: Graham Heath, Sergei Moukminov, Jay Hammill
 Vessel: Windward 30
 Hometown: Victoria, British Columbia, Canada



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