



# ANCHORLINE

Silva Bay Yacht Club Newsletter

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## COMMODORE'S CORNER

Good morning to you all, I am sitting in the sun-warmed cabin of Salish C as I write this report. The Easter Cruise is into its second day with five boats at the dock and one more at Ladysmith Marina. We have a slow and relaxing day today with a club dinner for 14 at the Fox and Hounds at 1830 hrs. Our first happy hour was the usual happy group with the addition of folk songs played and sung by Alan Casey. It cooled of around 1900 hrs so we headed back to our respective boats for dinner.

We were all saddened by the passing of David Hepper last week. I will keep you all appraised if there is a service or celebration of David's life.

It is a pleasure to welcome our newest members, Steve Philpot and Sheila Kirkwood with their sailboat *Sea Esta X*, Jim Morton and Gwenda Frey and their sailboat *Bandidio* and Tony Bowles with his yet to be named

Hunter sailboat. I am looking forward to meeting our new members at our coming events.

For those you who attended the St. Patrick's Day dinner I hope you all felt what I felt, the simple pleasure of being back in the Silva Bay Pub. We had close to 30 members wearing the green.

The next club event is the annual Commodore's Ball. This year's ball will be at the Silva Bay pub with a five piece live band. The theme of the ball is a Mediterranean dinner Cruise and I have it on good authority, Lou Gradanti will be serenading each table with romantic Sicilian songs and his accordion. Please check the website to sign up.

A final piece of news, our monthly meetings may be returning to their old home, the Roxy Theatre. The movie style seats and couches will be back. It is not a done deal but you will all hear the news when it is confirmed.

Safe boating to you all,  
Ian Waymark  
Commodore  
Silva Bay Yacht Club

## COME CRUISE WITH YOUR COMMODORE

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 23, 2016! By now you will have received your invitation from Commodore Ian for the annual Commodore's Ball. And what a ball it will be!

Our Social Committee has been working hard to recreate a Mediterranean dinner cruise atmosphere and you can do your bit by slipping into something elegant yet comfortable for an evening of good fun, good food, and dancing to the Sea Crests.

Register on the [website](#).

Don't delay – this is a popular event and you don't want to miss out!

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# ST PATRICK'S DAY "CRUISE" AT SILVA BAY PUB

A few photos of SBYC members enjoying a bit o' the Irish at the Silva Bay Pub on St. Patrick's Day!





## Silva Bay Yacht Club

presents the Monthly Meeting Program Talk with  
Guest speaker, **Cliff Robb** about

### the **Matthew Turner Tall Ship**

on Tuesday April 5, 2016 at 50 Haig Road,  
(Bodil & Jerry Ellins home) 7:30PM

Come and hear about Cliff's experience  
in Sausalito, California,  
helping to build this 100 foot replica of the original  
Tall Ship built in the mid-1800's.

History Buffs and Mariners alike will enjoy this presentation.

Members & General Public are Welcome





### **Fleet Captain's Report**

*Mark Halliwell*

The Easter cruise to Ladysmith was a lot of fun for those who attended. Five boats (and 11 people) attended, including *Salish C*, *Cipango*, *Free Spirit*, *Equilibrium* and *Dog Star*. Unfortunately, *Lizzie* had engine trouble and was unable to attend.

We had dinner at the Fox and Hounds Pub on the very wet Saturday night and blustery (but dry) Easter brunch on the Ladysmith Maritime Society Social Dock. The weather cooperated for most of the weekend. The journey home was an exciting sail which turned into an up-wind slog.

Members Alan and Cathy Casey from Port Alberni joined us for wine on the dock (where Alan sang and played guitar) and Saturday night dinner at the pub. New member Jim Morton from Ladysmith made a brief appearance on the dock and introduced himself.

Next cruise is the Spring Cruise, May 13 – 20 and then Sail-past May 28.



### **Vice Commodore and Acting Social Director's Report**

*Gillian Haines*

The March Social event we had planned was St Patrick's Day Celebration on the 17th. We had it at the Silva Bay pub with 29 of us attending. It went very well, and the food was excellent!

The next event will be the Commodore's Ball on April 23rd. The theme will be "A Mediterranean Dinner Cruise". Ian will be sending out announcements regarding this event, and I will be getting together with the Social Committee to arrange the planning.

Stayed tuned for more details...one of the Big Events of the year. Hope to see you there!



### **Rear Commodore's Report**

*Jerry Ellins*

The March 1st talk of "Anchor Rage" at the Silva Bay Pub was informative with over 60 people attending.

Be sure to check out the website: <http://www.gabriolaanchorage.org/>



### **Membership Chair's Report**

*Bodil Ellins*

**A BIG WELCOME** to our latest new members:

Jim Morton & Gwen Frey, sponsored by Tim and Donna Melville. Their sailboat *Sea Esta X* is at Ladysmith Harbour;

Steve Philpot & Sheila Kirkwood, sponsored by Vic Dowling. Their sailboat *Bandido* is at De Courcy Island;

Tony Bowles, sponsored by Regan Lall and Sylvie Gendreau. His Hunter sailboat (still to be named) is at the Silva Bay Boatel.



*And a good time was had by all! A few photos of the hardy souls who braved the cool weather and wind on the Easter Cruise to Ladysmith Maritime Society Marina.*



## COMMODORE'S QUIZ

Okay, in March we had five, count them, **FIVE** winners of the Commodore's Quiz! See below for the names. So Commodore Ian will have to sharpen his pencil for this quiz!

Here's the selection for April:

1. How many green top hats are shown on the *Anchorline* page of photos from the St. Patrick's Day Cruise at Silva Bay Pub?
2. What is the topic of Cliff Robb's talk on April 5?
3. Who are the owners of sailboat *Sea Esta X*?
4. What is the theme of the April 23 Commodore's Ball?
5. What are the dates of the upcoming Spring Cruise?

*Check out the rules below right and get your answers in! If we have more than one correct winner, a draw will be held at the monthly lunch. But every name, regardless of whether you win the monthly prize or not, will be entered into the grand annual prize to be drawn at the Commodore's Ball in April. Get in now! You snooze, you lose .....*



And the winners of the March Commodore's Quiz are .....

**Agathe Gaulin, Bon Van Hardenberg, Jill Haines, Anne Kerr, and Sean Lewis**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### APRIL 2016

- April 5: Monthly Meeting  
Topic: Matthew Turner Tall Ship
- April 14: Monthly Lunch  
Location: Silva Bay Pub @ 12:30pm
- April 23: Commodore's Ball  
Location: Silva Bay Pub



*A soggy but happy bunch on the Easter Cruise!*

## Commodore's Quiz/Draw

The Commodore's Quiz is open to all SBYC members, whether they've won previously or not.

Here's how to qualify:

1. Answer all five questions correctly. Answers can be found either in the *Anchorline* or on the website.
2. Submit your answers using the ["Quiz Answer Form"](#)
3. Deadline for entries is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each Month.



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## BLUE WATER CRUISING MID-ISLAND GROUP

### APRIL PRESENTATION

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#### ***A VOYAGE OF UNCOMMON SENSE***

#### ***CRESSWELL WALKER - APR 21***

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

For more info see  
[Bluewatercruising.org](http://Bluewatercruising.org)

#### **NORTHWEST PASSAGE** **ABOARD TRAVERSAY III**

April 19 Victoria (RVYC)  
with Laurence Roberts and  
Mary Anne Unrau

#### **BASIC WEATHER** **FORECASTING**

April 2 Victoria  
with Scott Crawshaw

#### **OFFSHORE WEATHER** **FORECASTING**

April 2-3 Victoria  
with Scott Crawshaw

#### **COASTAL NAVIGATION** **ESSENTIALS**

April 2 Vancouver  
with Ken Gillstrom

#### **GWAAI HAANAS** **ORIENTATIONS**

April 2 Vancouver  
April 10 Fort Langley  
April 12 Victoria

#### **MARITIME RADIO**

Apr. 14 - 26  
Nanoose Power Squadron  
Apr. 23, June 11, June 18  
Nanaimo Power Squadron

#### **BCA RENDEZVOUS**

May 21-22  
Poets Cove, Pender Island



Ever wondered what it would be like to cruise through SE Asia? Get yourself lost in Bali, get up close and personal with wild orangutans in Borneo, or try not to get blown ashore in Phuket during the Kings Cup storm of 2010? Or maybe sail blindly into a Malaysian fish trap in a midnight tropical storm, be approached by pirates off the coast of Sumatra, or search for sunken treasure with Captain Warren Blake? Or refitting a yacht in a fish boat yard far up a river in southern Thailand? What do you do when the weather turns nasty, such as when he almost outran hurricane Ignacio when sailing home from Hawaii this fall. Crew: How to invite them, train them, enjoy them and send them on?

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**BCA fosters seamanship and friendship for people with an active interest in offshore cruising.**

**Location: NANAIMO Yacht Club**

**Starts at 19:30 but come early for conversation and information**

**BCA Members: \$5.00**

**Guests: \$10.00**