

Anchorline



Commodore's Report

I am jumping right into the 2015 AGM. If you were one of the 55 attendees, by the time I called the AGM to order, you had just sat back with a feeling of contentment as you washed down a sumptuous dessert supplied by Robert.

The first thing on my "to do" list was to thank Robert for a wonderful meal, I did not get that chance. Before I had the microphone turned on, one of you stood up and said "Let's give a round of applause to Robert". I had to wait until the applause had died down before I could make the "thank you" official. I had a framed letter from the



SBYC thanking Robert for all he has done for us. Robert was quite taken aback by the attention he received.

The formal part of the AGM went as planned but the best part was when I had the chance to say thank you to some of our members who were leaving the Executive. Our members do not accept Executive positions for any tangible reward; they accept the positions because they are willing and able to support a great group of people, you, the members.

My thank you's went to Mark Titterton, Bob Wood, Deb Cunnian and Doug Cunnian. I also had a "thank you" for Jordan Sorrenti who had in a way "receded" from the club as he spent more of his time in Italy, an enviable departure! Each departing member received a framed letter outlining all they had done for the club since they had joined. Along with the letter each member received an embroidered blanket/cushion or an embroidered iPad/table satchel. As your Commodore, saying "thank you" to all these hardworking members was a pleasurable duty.

I now have one more "thank you" to

pass on. A big "thank you" goes to Karen and Mike Apps for supplying me with the history of each of our departing Executive members. Without Karen's and Mike's diligence I would not have had the information I required to write the letters I presented.

I also had the pleasure of presenting prizes to the winners of the first Commodore's Quiz. First prize went to our new Secretary, Christine Purfield, second prize to Catherine Legg and third prize to Darrel Haines. The prizes were embroidered blanket/cushions, personalized with each winner's boat's name.

I urge each of you to read this month's Anchorline and to give the Commodore's quiz a try. (Be warned, the rules for winning have changed slightly.) You might win a club prize and you will definitely learn about the upcoming club activities.

The rest of the AGM was spent drawing ticket numbers for the many prizes/coupons donated by our sponsors and making sure each attending member received the correct

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Upcoming Events

Dec 10	SBYC Lunch
Dec 13	Lighted Boat Event
Jan 2	Salute the Compass
Jan 30	Sizzlin' Soup Cruise

Lighted Boat Event

7:00 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13th
 Page's Marina
 Light your boat and/or come out for some Christmas cheer!



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Fleet Captain's Report

Hello SBYC Members,
This is my last report to Anchorline as your Fleet Captain.

We had a really good AGM on November 24th with a fantastic turkey dinner provided by Robert's Place, reports from the Executive, a new bridge elected and LOTS of prizes!

The next event will be the Lighted Boat Event on December 13th at Page's Marina. Gloria at Page's will be providing free moorage (paying only for power) on this night for boats that are participating. Light-up time will be at 7:00 p.m. I am hoping several of you will light up your boats and bring them down to Page's so we can have a nice display. If you're not lighting up your boat, then drop by to "boat hop" and enjoy some Christmas cheer with us. The Ladysmith SAR vessel, *Community Spirit* will also be joining us.

The first event of the New Year will be Salute the Compass on January 2nd. Our new Fleet Captain, Mark Halliwell will be heading this up. The After ceremony get together will be at the Rollo Centre with Robert's Place providing a great lunch for us. Watch your emails and the website for full details coming soon.

Darrel and I wish all of you a wonderful Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

Gillian Haines

RCM•SAR Station #29—Ladysmith

"In the spring of 2014, a new fast rescue craft was purchased for Station 29 thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Ladysmith & District Marine Rescue Society. She was name the *Community Spirit* to honour the support received from individuals & the local communities. She is a custom built Rigid Hull Inflatable (RHIB), powered by twin 250hp Yamaha outboards capable of doing 40 knots, depending on sea conditions.



Membership Report

The Membership Roster at the end of the year is at 102 memberships and this is the time of year for renewals. Do encourage your friends and acquaintances to join our fun organization.

Most people who attended the AGM paid their renewal fees giving us 39 paid memberships so far for 2016. Remember renewal fees are \$55 and are due on or before December 31st, 2015. After January 31st the fee goes up to \$75 and unpaid memberships after March 31st will be deemed to have lapsed. If you wish you can add \$10 to your membership renewal as a donation to Marine Parks Forever Society.

Best wishes for the holiday season upon us.

Bodil Ellins
Membership Chair

One of her features is the innovative Shockwave ICE (Integrated Control Environment) Console. The five-seat console rides on hydraulic struts to cushion the impact of waves. The cushioning aids in reducing crew fatigue while on the water in rough conditions or for extended periods of time."



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Rear Commodore's Report

Our last monthly meeting and program for 2015 was held on November 3rd. Bert Terhart presented "Fair Weather and Foul: A Soldier's Guide to Sailing."

The next monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, February 2nd. Stay tuned for some changes to format and venue

Best of the season to all!

Jerry Ellins
Rear Commodore

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size "TGIF" T-shirt.

A final thank you to every SBYC member who brought items to be donated to the Food Bank.

To close this report, I say welcome to our new Fleet Captain (Elect), Mark Halliwell and



our new secretary (Elect), Christine Purfield.



Season's Greetings and Safe boating to you all

Ian Waymark



Editor's Note:

Hello SBYCers!

The AGM is but a memory now and we on the SBYC Executive and gearing up for another great year of cruising and fun. The bridge for 2016 has some familiar faces and couple of new faces and looks like this:

- Commodore — Ian Waymark
- Vice Commodore — Gillian Haines
- Rear Commodore — Jerry Ellins
- Past Commodore — Doug Cunnian
- Fleet Captain — Mark Halliwell
- Staff Captain — Paddy Waymark
- Secretary — Christine Purfield
- Treasurer — Wanda Borley
- Membership Chair — Bodil Ellins
- Director — Mike Apps

I am also staying on as webmaster, Log Book Coordinator and for now, Anchorline Editor. I would very much like to see someone step up to take on the Anchorline or maybe initially, just come aboard to help me out and learn the ropes.

As 2016 draws closer things like Log Book updates come to mind. Check your information in the 2015 Log Book and send me any changes (address change, phone number, boat sold, new boat, etc.) that need to be made for the 2016 book. There is a form on the website under Memberships/Forms/Changes to Existing Membership Information. I encourage you to use this form and it will be directed to the appropriate areas that require updating.

Season's Greetings

Wanda Borley



“Living The Dream: Sharing Our Living Aboard Experience”

Submitted by: Gerry & Jean Raymond

This is our second time living aboard, but 20 years later. We were pretty sure we would enjoy it again and so far it has been a great choice for us.

The first few weeks were spent deciding where everything belongs and has it's place. I find living on the vessel full time and using everything on a daily basis you soon know where you want things to be and what things you can live without. This is so important when living in a smaller area. Even keeping a list of what is under which settee is so helpful.

There are so many advantages living aboard... where to begin?? The first thing is having that first cup of coffee/tea in the enclosed cockpit and watching the wildlife around you. The maintenance is kept up relatively easily and you don't want to get behind, as too many jobs can be overwhelming.

You become very aware of the weather, if there is a wind warning, you really do make sure to batten down the hatches. Making sure your water tanks are full if it is going to freeze and lots of fuel for the stoves to keep you warm. We have moorage for the winter so it is nice to be tied up with extra lines and plugged into shore power.

There are some things we do not have like a dishwasher. But doing them together, what talks we have. When you have been shopping, it is everything in the wheelbarrow, in all kinds of

weather and down the dock you go.

Now one of the biggest pluses of all is getting away and using the vessel. Everything is on board because we live on her. So our first extended trip we left April 30th until September 28th, 2015. This year we went as far as Prince Rupert, a total of 1763 miles under the keel, going into every nook and cranny we could



Snow Bird at anchor at Eucott Bay Hot

find. We went to hot springs, went fishing, whale watching, bear watching, and met up with old friends and met new ones. It's nice that wherever you are, you are always at home.



Molly the cat—chief navigator on

We are tied in at Campbell River for the winter and making plans for next year's cruising season, maybe Alaska. Maybe we will see a SBYC burgee up there.

May calm seas be with you.




Power Squadron News:

The Gabriola Island Squadron has completed its fall educational and social programme. Come 2016, we will have a new social schedule in place. All SBYC members are automatically invited to the Squadron's socials.

As for our educational programme, starting in January, the Squadron will be offering the following:

Boating Essentials Including PCOC:

- Wednesdays, Jan 13th—Apr 20th 7:00 p.m. at the Rollo Centre
- Fees:
PCOC part—\$95 (\$80 for CPS Members)
Essentials part—\$225 (\$205 for CPS Members)
Both parts—\$320 (\$285 for CPS Members)

Maritime Radio:

- Saturday, Feb 6th (one day only) @ 9:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Rollo Centre
- Fees:
\$95 (\$80 for CPS Members)

For contacts and more information about the Squadron's social and educational programmes and to register for courses, go to our website: <http://www.powersquadron.gabriola.org/> or simply Google "Gabriola Power Squadron."

Commodore's Quiz/Draw

Each month the Commodore will post a Quiz in the Anchorline

Here's how to enter:

1. Find the answers to all five questions either in the Anchorline or on the website.
2. Submit your answers using the "[Quiz Answer Form](#)"
3. Deadline for entries is the 15th of each month.
4. Entries with all the correct answers will be entered into a draw for a prize consisting of an item selected from the club's regalia.

Good Luck!

Social Lunches

Social lunches are held the second Thursday of each month at 12:30 at The Surf Pub. This is strictly social and an opportunity to catch up with fellow boaters.

Did You Know....

"Red Sky At Night..."

While the origin of the saying is unknown, although a form of it appears in the bible (Matthew 16:2-3). It has some basis in science and is a fairly good predictor of—though no guarantee—weather at the mid-latitudes in the Northern Hemisphere, where storm systems generally follow the jet stream from west to east. A red sky in the morning indicates a sun rising in clear eastern skies casting its rays on storm clouds approaching from the west. At night the clear sight of the red setting sun would tell a sailor that no storms are to the west.

"Taken Down A Peg"

This expression comes from the practice of admirals and officers having their own flags aboard ship. Superior officers would have their flags positioned higher on the mast than subordinates and these flags would be attached to the mast by a peg. If a senior officer handed over his command to a junior then the flag would have to be flown in a subordinate position or be taken down a peg.

"Fly-By-Night"

A large square sail used downwind or on a reach that could be used easily and quickly. This made it useful for sailing at night especially by people who dealt in contraband. Since these people's character was always in question they became known as fly-by-nighters.

Now you know!



Classifieds

Club classifieds are on the website at:

silvabayyachtclub.com/classifieds/

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month (except June, July, August, December and January) at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 2nd.

These are informative gatherings with a small business meeting to start including reports from working officers and committee chairs, as available.

Following the short business meeting, the Rear Commodore will introduce an interesting presentation dealing with west coast boating, safety and especially interesting cruises by members and friends.

Always informative and entertaining. Check the website for up-to-date details.

Recreational Checklists

At the November monthly meeting, Bert Terhart told us about checklists that he's developed for his own use. He has kindly offered to share them with us. They are available on the website under Cruising/Events/Cruise Planning/Checklists or by clicking [here](#)



Commodore's Quiz

Quiz—December, 2015

1. When you view Anchorline for December, what boat is shown in the banner picture?"
2. Who was the first place winner of last month's quiz?
3. What are the prominent colours of the Fleet Captain's flag?
4. What is the name of the recently commissioned SAR rescue boat?
5. List three things that have been added to or changed on the website in the past two weeks.

Submit your answers [here](#)