

Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons
VANCOUVER ISLAND SOUTH DISTRICT

MINUTES OF VISD TRAINING MEETING

Jan 20, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT

Barrie Gilbertson	VHF Officer	Victoria
Gerald Trueman	STO	Victoria
Marti Tilley	STO	Pender Island
John Hudson	STO	Saanich Peninsula
Greg Garnett	STO	Brentwood Bay
Shirley Hamilton	Dist. Admin.	Victoria
Peter Jennings	D/C	Victoria
Norm Price	STO	Oak Bay
Margaret Traver	STO	Sooke
Bo Jensen	STO	Juan de Fuca
Lesley Head	BP Officer	Saanich Peninsula
Len Fallan	YEO	Brentwood Bay
Bev Gerry	Dist. Secretary	Pender Island
Marg Griffin	DTO	Saanich Peninsula

The meeting was called to order at 1035.

The DTO reported that ADTO Myra Simpson has been moved from VGH to Gorge Road Hospital for rehabilitation, and is progressing well.

The minutes of the last meeting were moved adopted as circulated, by Margaret Traver and seconded by Bo Jensen. Carried.

STOs handed in their Form 20s and Boating Class schedules.

BUSINESS ARISING

- a) CBS 2 a&b caused some confusion for STOs doing rewrites. The DTO explained the procedure to follow.
- b) The DTO has written to the Manager of Athletics at UVic concerning our use of their pool for the floating Class. No reply has been received yet.
- c) Harold Toombs address has been included in the meeting's agenda, and STOs were encouraged to write to him concerning modularization.
- d) STOs handed in their questions & answers for CFAF radio.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) STO's were encouraged to attend the Officers Training scheduled for Feb. 24. But since we can no longer hold our meetings at this hall, they should check with their Commander to verify the date and location.
- b) The free Boating Courses offered at the two Boat Shows were again discussed. It is a lot of work for the STO to call each person that applied, and then many who had said they would come dropped Out at the last minute. To remedy this, five squadrons now require full payment for the course before a seat is reserved. Despite these problems it was felt that they are still worthwhile for attracting new students. It was moved by Bo Jensen and

seconded by Len Fallan that the practice should continue. Motion carried with one against. Last years fall winner did not take a course, and the spring winner is now taking the course at Juan de Fuca.

- c) The DTO suggested that we try putting on an Instructional Techniques Course in April after the classes are finished. STOs to send names to the DTO with the days preferred.
- d) The DTO reported on the Governing Board Minutes of Oct. 20, 2001. Boating is down 35% nationally. It is to be proposed that dues increases be tied to cost of living increases. It is proposed that there should be only four categories of membership - regular, life, honorary and corporate. It is proposed that Boat Pro or Accredited Boating (PCOC) be the requirement for membership. Also that the grade of Full Certificate be changed to Senior Navigator. CCG says that it is stopping the Pay if you Pass examinations for Boat Pro, but Lesley reported that it was still going on at the Toronto float Show recently. The BP exam has been revised to suit either 8-12 year olds or 13-15 year olds. Lesley considered them confusing exams. All the members were against lowering membership requirements

DISTRICT REPORTS

DTO - Reported that she had represented the D/C at Saltspring Island's Graduation and thanked them for their hospitality.

Barrie Gilbertson will become ADTO in May. Wonderful. A revision of the STO Handbook will be ready for the AGM. Squadrons holding a District Training Award are requested to turn them in on or before the next District Training Meeting on April 21.

The Westover Award, held by Brentwood Bay, to be returned to the DTO

The Van Hassalt Award, held by Victoria, to be returned to the DTO

The Harold Helm Award, held by Victoria, to be returned to the DTO

The Boatwise Award held by Pender Isl. to be returned to the YEO

YEO - He will be giving a BP Course for 15 instructors and members of the Victoria Rowing Club. Job action by teachers has resulted in the cancellation of the BP Course at Bayside, and the postponement of the course at Stellys.

VHF - A course of 25 students was held at Saanich Peninsula Squadron, He is assisting Oak Bay until they get an RE approved.

BP - HP manuals will be sold to RPs for \$15, and to the public for \$20. We will not be offering a challenge exam at the Boat Show.

SQUADRON REPORTS

BB - 24 in Boating, offering VHF in March

JF - 13 in Boating, offering VHF in April

OB 43 in floating. Offering VHF in February

PT - floating continuing. also Piloting, offering Fund. of Weather & VHF March

SP - 21 in Boating, offering Marine Maintenance & Piloting soon

S - 13 in Boating, 7 in Piloting, VHF in April

V - 46 in Boating, 17 in Marine Maint., Fund. of Weather & GPS Seminar in March

SSI - 6 in Fund. of Weather

Next meeting April 21. Location to be announced.

Recorded by
D/Lt/C Margaret Griffin