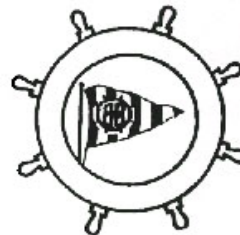


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## **Brentwood Bay Squadron Commanders Report November 08, 2005**



There are only 5 more evenings of our fall boating class, how time goes!

The boating class has gone very well under the guidance and assistance of our instructors and proctors. Thanks to you all.

Thanks to Len for going over the cruise and getting all the boats together in preparation for the student cruise to Genoa Bay which will have been completed, weather permitting, on November 13. After that we will be gearing up for the Boating class PCO exam on the 28<sup>th</sup> and then the Boating exam on December 12.

All this followed on December 19<sup>th</sup> by the fall Boating Class Graduation, combined this year with our Squadron's Annual Christmas Party at the Quality Inn Waddling Dog. Of course all members and guests are encouraged to attend and help welcome our newest members. It should be a fun evening!

You are probably already be aware of this event, as our phoning committee of Len Fallan, Steve Erb, Tom Radford, Dave Cromack and Mike Baker have been busy contacting members. We are doing this first of all, to thank you for supporting the Squadron through your membership renewal and secondly to update your information.

These questions and information (such as: your e-mail address, would you like to help with the boating class or on the bridge, do you have a boat, how do you want to receive the Bearing) are important to the running of the squadron. We did try and not call during your dinner hour! Thanks to the phoning people and also to those who spent the few minutes to answer some questions. It's a great help.

We still have Assistant training and Membership bridge positions available. If you are interested please call me or better still come to the Boating Class Graduation and Christmas Party and see me there!

Remember, now would be a good time to check your winter preparation schedule for your boat. Because some of us use our boats year round, we tend to forget about *winterizing*. But of course we don't call it winterizing. Here on the 'wet coast' we call it 'preparing for a cooler boating season.'

**Don't forget the December 19th Graduation and Christmas Party!**

Yours in safe Boating  
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# Brentwood Bay Squadron Student Cruise to Genoa Bay

## November 13, 2005

It was miserable at 0500. The wind was blowing and the rain pouring down Vancouver style, but we must have confidence changes would take place in order for our 'Sunny' cruise to take place.

I knew it would turn out fine - well let's say I was relatively confident.

By 0845 it was cool, but most boats were underway and skies were clearing. We set sail with 'Senga' and Peter Simpson, 'Sanibel' and Jock and Dave Lefebure, 'Safari' and Ralph Libbey, 'Knot Enough' and Dan Kelly, 'Mataka' and Bill Lane and with 'Charlotte Time' and Bill and Gay Miller. We all **THANK YOU** for cleaning, fuelling and operating your boats on behalf of the members and students of Brentwood Bay Squadron.



**'Brentwood Bay Auxiliary Coast Guard' –  
Doug Robinson – Coxswain/Instructor  
Ron Gieck – v.p. Saanich Marine Rescue Society**



After reaching Musgrave Rock 'Sanibel' decided that the weather change was imminent and made the decision to turn back to port. For those other five boats who reached Genoa Bay, we were greeted by the Brentwood Bay Auxiliary Coast Guard led by Doug Robinson and Ron Gieck. Who showed the Brentwood vessel and demonstrated the safety equipment they utilized in rescue incidents. **Job well done guys.**

**'Safari' 34' Silverton – Skipper Ralph Libby**



**'Mataka' 30' Catalina – Skipper Bill Lane**

THANK YOU goes out to Jeff Moses for bringing up the BBQ's and for his cooking assistant Steve Erb for cooking the 'Dogs'.

THANK YOU also to Bill and Gay Miller for at the last minute offering their vessel for our cruise and for their enthusiasm during the cruise. Their help was much appreciated.

THANK YOU too to Agnes Simpson for her continued support of our Squadron over the years and for offering her experience during our cruise as well.



**'Senga' 38' Gulf Commander– Skipper Peter Simpson**



***Students Bill Cooper and Trevor Hagen taking notes from Gay Millar aboard Charlotte Time***

**'Charlotte Time' 25' Chris Craft – Skipper Bill Miller**



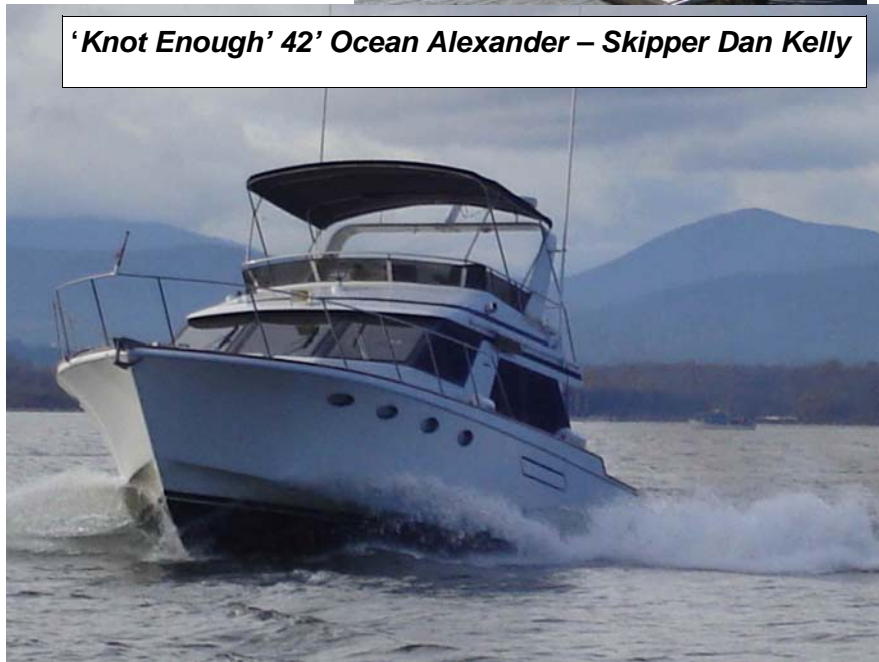
Once last THANKS to Bill Lane for demonstrating sailing vessel parts and Peter Simpson for demonstrating proper docking procedures.

AND to all our Proctors who without their individual help the students will have had a much harder time – we all thank you Jeff Moses, Steve Erb, Al Helmersen, Greg Garnett, Dan Waldie and Tom Radford. Thank you all.

Hope everyone fully enjoyed themselves today. I had a great time, and I was informed a lot was learned by all.

S/C. Len Fallan AP

**'Knot Enough' 42' Ocean Alexander – Skipper Dan Kelly**



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**Boating Course Final Exam - December 12th**

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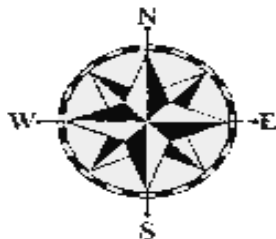
**Graduation Ceremonies and Squadron Christmas Party  
on December 19th @ the Waddling Dog**

Please contact any of our instructors or proctors if you would like to help  
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Thanks to all those who volunteer their time to the  
Squadron and help to promote 'Safe Boating'





## **Editor's Anchorage**

*Great day on November 13-2005 ~ Fall Student Cruise to Genoa Bay.*

I expected to arrive at Capital City Yacht Club for a boat inspection of 'Charlotte Time' and maybe a cautious nose out into the harbour under skipper Bill Miller's piloting and early return for hot coffee and donuts by 1100 hours BUT the sea calmed and the weather improved as the day went forward.

### **THE CRUISE WAS A GO!!**

On the floats at Genoa Bay, the sun came out and it warmed up just in time for the pictures, BBQ, Auxiliary Coast Guard demo, docking demo, sail-boat rigging/equipment demo, and departure. The north wind was at our stern as we steamed back to Sidney and a safe berth.

It amazes me how the weather can change so quickly and forecasts can be sooooo misleading. This of course works both ways, as a fair forecast can turn into a rough sea and many a challenge; thus the reason we volunteer our time to safe boating and education to prepare ourselves 'when' the sea state is not favourable.

The more we know – the more we know how much more there is to learn

Beware and be careful!!