



# Scuttlebutt



Newsletter of the Burnaby Power & Sail Squadron

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2017

## ANOTHER YEAR GONE, ANOTHER YEAR AHEAD



As you read this, the 2016 year will have passed and 2017 will be upon us.

Since my last Commander's Corner, a number of activities have happened and there are new ones planned. October saw our traditional Thanksgiving cruise to Squamish. Although we had no boats show up this year, we had plenty of people drive up for the weekend or the day. People were a bit late in committing to the cruise and we were close to another cancellation. In the end we had to purchase a second turkey to fill all the happy faces. Thanks to all for coming up and to all the volunteers to make this another great event.



These guys love pumpkin pie!

# Commander's Corner

By Commander Michael Matich



Coquitlam members on their first Squamish Thanksgiving cruise.



Is it ready? I'm hungry.



Turkey not ready, no problem, grab another glass of wine.



Jule's version of Hell's Kitchen. Thanks all, looks great!

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October also saw the National Conference held in Vancouver. PMD was the host of the event and Jenn was Chair of the Decorating Committee with yours truly assisting. The Conference was a huge success from both the social aspect of the event and to all the various meetings. So much was discussed on activities occurring across our nation. Problems were addressed, but also possible solutions were brought up. Hopefully, we can implement some of these to make us a stronger organization.

November saw a new venue for our Information Night, Willy's Galley at Reed Point Marina. Dinner was served followed by a presentation by Les Bullis on his West Coast boating experiences. These adventures culminated in his book, *The Little Black Cloud Called Harold*. Mishaps happen and 60 years of these are captured in the book. Maybe we should consider this book as a gift to the winner of the coveted Bent Prop Award. Speaking of which, I have had virtually no mishap reports, so please let me know if you have seen, heard of or are yourself a candidate.

Our Tri-Squadron Committee met in November and we concluded that our joint activities are working well and we will continue these efforts into the New Year.

Jenn and I both attended some Coquitlam and Royal City Socials. It was a delight to all.

Our fall students from our Tri-Squadron classes wrote Boating 2 & 3. All passed except one person for Boating 3. That person will be back in the New Year to redo the course.

Our Christmas party at Socrates was well attended with one of our students attending. His wife was out of town and would have attended, so their daughter came in her place. Both will be joining a squadron as are a number of the other graduates.

Seattle Squadron held their Christmas party and again it was a wonderful event. Bellbottoms and Afro hairdos were everywhere. The place was smoking hot. Jenn and I had the pleasure of going out on the water the night before to see Seattle's version of the Carol Ships. Special thanks to the Kodish's for the invite aboard *Rosebud*.

Seeing 2017 is now here, we have a number of activities on the horizon.

Boating classes are just around the corner, Boating 1, 2 & 3, Seamanship, Electronic navigation and VHF. Check out dates and start times on [www.boatingcourses.ca](http://www.boatingcourses.ca). Please get the word out to family and friends to take a course and be safe on the water. Hey, consider helping out as a proctor or just monitoring the course as a refresher.

The Vancouver Boat Show starts January 11<sup>th</sup>. I hope to see you all there getting pumped up for this summer's season. If you can volunteer by lending a hand and help promote our squadron and CPS at the show, please let me know. You can reach me at [cmdr@burnabysquadron.com](mailto:cmdr@burnabysquadron.com) or 604.762.2827. PMD does not have the schedule out at this time, but we will make arrangements to get connected. As a volunteer, you get into the boat show free.

Cruisemaster Neal Tyldsley has secured moorage at Snug Cove for the May long weekend. This will most likely be a joint cruise with a number of other squadrons. Hold the date.

Our AGM will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Confederation Seniors Centre and our Tri-City COW on May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Scandinavian Centre. A number of other Socials and other activities are being planned. I will get the

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the word out on the details in a future Cdr. Mike's Memo to all members and friends.

All the best to you and your families and friends in 2017.

As always, please feel free to contact me with your thought and comments.

Commander Mike

*Happy New Year!*



Photographs courtesy of Mike Matich

# Executive Officer Report

By Executive Officer Jenn April Matich



Another year of fun festivities in 2016. Mike and I traveled to Seattle to attend Seattle Squadron's annual holiday party, Saturday Night Fever, Disco Dance Holiday Party. We played Twister, laughed at others playing, so much laughter. Always nice to see old friends and meet new ones. I personally liked when Chef Willie photo bombed the DJ and I. The costumes were over the top and provided much laughter with singing and dancing.



Photographs courtesy of Mike Matich

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Another high point of the weekend was going out on Steve and Leslie Kodish's *Rosebud* for the Holiday Lighted Boat Festival. This was a first for all aboard: Mike and I and Barbara and Steve Erickson, and all agreed that next year we shall join in and decorate *Rosebud* and participate. We were all like children looking at the creative decorations on the boats and the beauty of the night. Leslie made chili for supper on the boat, and of course we had plenty of appetizers and drink! Absolutely beautiful evening!



Random photos of our cruise. Decorated house to the left belongs to Dale Chihuly!



Photographs courtesy of Steve Erickson

# Burnaby Christmas Bureau

By Darcy O'Shea

Friday, December 23rd marked the 12th year that Burnaby Squadron Members volunteered in the 'Toy Distribution Room' at the Burnaby Christmas Bureau. Ten cheerful, eager 'Elves' spent the morning filling bags of gifts for Burnaby families. Many thanks once again to our many volunteers who readily stepped forward at such a busy time of year. Their spirit makes helping organize a breeze! Kudos to the efforts of the Burnaby Christmas Bureau, part of Burnaby Community Services, for all the good work they do in the community .

A very special Thank You to Barb Erickson from Seattle Squadron, who sent up a large bag of knitted items for the Christmas Bureau (which she has done for many years). It was especially appreciated with our unusual wintry weather!

After the bustle of "Elving," most of us gathered to enjoy a "cup of cheer" and "break bread" at the Oliver Twist Pub! Looking forward to next year!

Best Wishes and "Top of the Season" to you all!!!



Photographs Clockwise: Crew getting ready; The volunteers; some of the volunteers gathered at Oliver Twist Pub; Stocking the shelves.



Photographs courtesy of Val and Darcy O'Shea

# D/16 CHANGE OF WATCH



**save the date**

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**LOCAL ACTIVITIES**

- ◆ WINE & CIDER TASTING
- ◆ BOATING
- ◆ CYCLING
- ◆ FISHING
- ◆ LADY OF THE LAKE
- ◆ GOLF
- ◆ MILL BAY CASINO
- ◆ HIKING
- ◆ TOURS
- ◆ TAKE IN A MOVIE

**THE RESORT**

- ◆ VOTED THE #1 RESORT IN THE NORTHWEST
- ◆ ALL ROOMS ARE LAKE VIEW W/PRIVATE BALCONY
- ◆ ROOM PRICES WILL BE AROUND \$100/NIGHT
- ◆ STATE OF THE ART CONFERENCE SPACE
- ◆ WALK TO DOWNTOWN SHOPPING
- ◆ DAY SPA ON SITE

**"EVERYTHING WASHINGTON"**

THIS WILL BE THE THEME THIS YEAR, IN CELEBRATION OF OUR DIVERSE GEOGRAPHY, SKILLS, HERITAGE AND STYLE!

**Details coming soon!**

**SAVE THE DATE!** Seattle Sail & Power Squadron is hosting the 2017-2018 Change of Watch as our very own D/Lt/C Matt Lombardi, P, becomes our District Commander!

We would love to see you in attendance! Lots of exciting events are scheduled, raffles, good meals and accommodations to suit your fancy! If you are interested in volunteering, there's plenty to do, please contact Matt at [learnaboutboating@gmail.com](mailto:learnaboutboating@gmail.com).

To make your reservations, check the Seattle website: <http://www.seattlesailpowersquadron.org/> and keep checking the website for further information!

# CRUISEMASTER

By Neal Tyldsley

## EARLY NOTICE

I have tentatively booked moorage at the Union Steamship Marina, Snug Cove on Bowen Island for Victoria Day Weekend, May 20-22, 2017. If you are interested in attending this cruise, you will have to let me know ASAP, at least by the end of January, otherwise I will cancel the booking so that others can rebook the slips.



## Member Benefit of belonging to the Burnaby Squadron!

*Steveston Marine & Hardware* is proud to be the preferred online marine retail supplier to CPS-ECP members across Canada.

Steveston is offering an 8% discount to CPS-ECP Members on all online and in-store products, excluding sale items.

For all discounted purchases made by a CPS-ECP member, a 2% rebate shall be returned to the CPS-ECP member's Squadron. The benefit helps both the member and the member's squadron.

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