

THE QUARTERDECK

PORT MOODY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON



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Tom Kakanowski

A Message from the Commander

First off, I am both honoured and privileged to assume command of the best Squadron in the Lower Mainland! During the past year, PMPSS taught 207 Students, had 7 well attended cruises, and a full calendar of social events like our annual on-water concert, Recreational Vehicle Courtesy Checks, Shoreline Cleanup and Remembrance Day service. Membership has continued to decline, we are just under 4% down from this same time last year, compared to the national average of 7% decline. Even beating the average, we take these declines very seriously, and meet to ensure that we are offering members what they want and need, and have seen 25 new members since April.

My first few months have been very full with a Cinco de Mayo event (including 36 RVCC inspections), work on the budget for the current bridge, Change of Watch, a student graduation ceremony, launching our new Public Relations Steering Committee, participating in my Sailpast (thanks so much to everyone!), dealing with changes to a variety of CPS National fees, and of course keeping an eye on the impending upgrade of CPS' National website and information systems. We celebrated two more of our members earning their 20th Merit Mark and becoming lifetime members. Past Commander Steve Clark and Dave Burrell, both friends since public school, and both have contributed significantly to the squadron through volunteering.



Sailpast 2018

The first meeting of the new bridge was held May 15, and we've produced our first pass of calendar of events for the year (and have already added more!). I'm both proud and excited about our new bridge, we have a nice balance of experienced heavy hitters and fresh blood to bring new ideas and approaches, thanks to all of you giving your time and energy in this way. We've also launched a PR Steering Committee in order to ensure effective communication and consideration of member needs across all of our different operational areas (Education, Socials, Cruises, Membership), and that we spend our energy communicating what we need to as efficiently as possible. This committee has identified a need to have greater focus on family events, more land-based events, and support of smaller vessels. As a by-product of this committee we were also able to perform some successful tests of increasing our reach through online marketing for the Cinco de Mayo event. This group has also identified the need to deliver evening or weekend seminars, with consideration of children during periods like

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March Break, and has already commenced setting up a Summer Sunday Patio Party series at Willy's Galley in June, July and August. I'll take advantage of this opportunity to remind everyone of the Shoreline Cleanup PMPSS performs at Rocky Point Park, this year on September 23, please be sure to read about both this and the Summer Sunday Patio Parties later in this issue!

One of the issues that I am focused on this year is the welfare of our volunteer community, and I know this was a priority for Past Commander Julie Bruce as well. Because its simply never said enough, THANK YOU volunteers! Our Squadron runs on volunteers, and its critical that we recognize their importance, ensure they are enjoying their work and feeling rewarded, and foster an environment that encourages communication, respect and growth of our volunteer community. To that end, I have developed a new bridge role, the Volunteer Officer, who is to volunteers what the Membership Officer is to members; responsible for retention, recruiting, ensuring volunteers are satisfied, have what the need, always have a way to communicate their needs and concerns, and be a voice for volunteers to the Bridge; their sole focus is making life for volunteers better. I encourage you to reach out to me if this new role sounds interesting to you, we will be developing this role throughout the year, and it will be an interesting opportunity for someone to help improve PMPSS for all.



I'd like to thank everyone who came out to our recent Backyard Bash cruise on Indian Arm over the Victoria Day weekend, it really was great to see many come out. With 24 vessels in attendance, it was a good time during which we celebrated a vessel renaming, as well as a wonderful Sunday afternoon at Dave and Grace Burrell's cottage ("The Sugar Shack") on the arm. Unfortunately for Dianne and I, our return trip was marred by a fuel problem, but in true PMPSS style, several members responded with offers of assistance, and within minutes, Dave and Julie Bruce had come alongside with Minstrel. We tied together side by side and proceeded carefully back to Reed Point, me cringing just a little as the 163' MV Triton passed us doing 10 knots if not more. A few days later I had new filters, lines bled and fuel problem resolved, and very thankful for belonging to PMPSS. Its really great being able to depend on your fellow Squadron members for that safety net! Be sure to read more about the Backyard bash later in this issue of the Quarterdeck.

For anyone considering participating in this year's Carol Ships Cruises, check out the Courses section for information about the Fall Radar and Night Boating course, do the Cruise safely!

Unfortunately, I must convey news of the recent passing of one of our members, Peter Davis. He, his wife Tannis, and their daughter Kaia have often participated in Squadron activities, and I recall enjoying several chats we had as we shared the same dock at RPM. Peter was always willing to share his knowledge and help where he could, and he will be missed by us. His family are planning a celebration of Peter's life and aiming for the end of June, and we're passing on information as we learn more. Details are still being worked out, but I believe we will be raising funds at our first Summer Sunday Patio Party on June 24 to contribute to a fund set up by Tannis and Kaia at the Heart and Stroke Foundation, so come out for good friends and a good cause.

Our next Bridge meeting and last before the summer break is at 1900 hrs at Willy's Galley, Reed Point Marina on Tuesday, June 19. I encourage anyone with an interest in Squadron Bridge operations to come out to our bridge meetings which are open to all members.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Kakanowski,
Commander



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Contact the Supplies Officer, Julie Ryder-Bruce at supplies@portmoodypss.com for hats, jackets, t-shirts and more!



Dear PMPSS Members and Families,

Peter Davis was taken from us Monday May 28th. He is remembered and loved dearly by his wife Tannis and daughter Kaia.



Peter cherished his time on the water as well as his time with the PMPSS. Many of us became very good friends with him over the years. He would never let us sit alone without reaching out and making us feel acknowledged. He was such a good listener. Peter had a very special skill, he would not only listen when you spoke but he could start a conversation where you left off a month ago like it was yesterday. He wasn't able to do this because of his sharp memory; Peter was able to do this because he sincerely cared about each and every one of us and valued his time with us.

Peter always seemed so happy and calm at the helm of Viaggio (4788 Bayliner). He treated her with care and respect and she was good back but like most vessels she had a spicy side and kicked back sometimes without notice. Peter encountered many challenges with Viaggio but it never dulled his love of boating. Viaggio forced him to learn some lessons quicker than he would have liked but he became more knowledgeable from the wisdom. Many of us were able to learn from Peter and from Viaggio.



Seeing Peter at the helm was a beautiful thing. Such peace and happiness, it was infectious. He could make everyone around him feel happy, calm and safe. Peter was the kind of Skipper that would always watch out for his fellow boaters. He would do whatever it took to make you and your crew feel safe and calm during a crisis. He would happily make a supply run or just pour you a drink if that was what you needed at the time. Sometimes just seeing his smile can calm your nerves.

It is with great sorrow that Peter's wonderful soul is taken from us. We wish you calm seas and a high sun as you cruise through the afterlife. We will see you again one day my friend.

Chris Reyburn

Please note that at our very first Summer Sunday Deck Party on June 24th, we would be collecting donations in support of the fund that Tannis and Kaia have set up for Peter through the Heart and Stroke Foundation in Peter's memory. Please see the Summer Sunday Patio Party flyer on page 5, and we'll be letting people more about this fund once we learn more.

(Note: Permission was given to include this tribute to Peter Davis in The Quarterdeck. PMPSS member and friend, Chris Reyburn thoughtfully wrote this tribute. To Tannis and Kaia, your PMPSS friends are thinking of you.)

A.G.M./C.o.W. and the Commander's Ball



You're Invited!

Summer Sunday Patio Parties!

This summer, The PMPSS is trying something new and encourage members to attend. For those who attend raft ups or dock parties, these events will be familiar to you. For those who haven't, we invite you to come check out **"The Summer Sunday Patio Party"**!

The Summer "Patio Parties" have been scheduled for the dates below and will be held at Willy's Galley (Note: we have access to the outside patio area as Willy's Galley is closed during this time).

Dates:

June 24th 4-9pm

For this event please join us as we collect monies for the Heart & Stroke Foundation and make a donation in Peter Davis' honour. (see tribute on page 3)



July 29th 4-9pm

CPS is celebrating 80 years! A good reason for us to celebrate too!

August 26th 4-9pm

This event is "Just Because".



At a typical raft up or dock party, everyone will offer an appetizer or potluck item to share. Remember to bring a chair, plates, utensils and your beverage of choice. There will be a BBQ available should anyone need to grill. The expectation is that we will clean up the area after these events. Bring your kids and grandkids! These events are meant for everyone and games will be available too!



Fall 2018 Courses

Offered by The Port Moody Power and Sail Squadron

- * PCOC (aka Boating I): On request
- * Boating 2 & 3 combined: Beyond the PCOC/Basics and intro to Navigations/Charting (September 20-November 29th)
- * Introduction to Weather: Learn to interpret weather reports and anticipate mother nature (September 27th-November 1st)
- * Marine Electrical Maintenance: Learn to maintain electrical systems safely (October 4th-November 15th)
- * Electronic Navigation: Navigate using GPS, paper charts & electronic devices (September 27th-October 25th)
- * Radar/Night Cruising: Cruising at night with limited visibility (October 4th-November 8th)
This course is great for cruisers intending on participating in Carol Ships Cruises!
- * VHF: On request (one night class)

2018 Cruise Dates

PMPSS cruises are fun so mark your calendars! Watch our Facebook page or website for more information and to register for cruises. Visit www.portmoodypss.com for detailed cruise information.



Canada Day Long Weekend	Gulf Islands	June 29th-July 8th
BC Day Long Weekend	Skookumchuck Narrows to Sechelt, Princess Louisa Inlet, Chatterbox Falls	August 3rd-19th
On the Water Concert	Bedwell Bay	August 25th
Labour Day Long Weekend	Bowen Island	August 31st-September 3rd
Easter 2019	Bowen Island	April 19th-April 21st 2019

HAVE YOU TAKEN THE VHF COURSE?

Courses for VHF run often throughout the year based on demand. Check www.portmoodypss.com or contact Lynn Meisl at 604-516-6072.

June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19  Bridge Meeting	20	21	22	23
24  Patio Party	25	26	27	28	29	30
					Gulf Island Cruise	

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Gulf Island Cruise June 29th-July 8th						
8 Return from Gulf Island	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29  Patio Party	30	31				

August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Cruise	4 Cruise
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Skookumchuck Narrows to Sechelt Cruise August 3rd-August 19th						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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19 Return from Cruise	20	21	22	23	24	25 On the Water Concert in Bedwell Bay 
26  Patio Party	27	28	29	30	31	Labour day Long Weekend Cruise Aug.31st-Sept. 3rd

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Labour day Long Weekend Cruise
2 Labour day Long Weekend Cruise	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Courses 	14	15
16	17  Bridge Meeting	18	19	20 Courses 	21	22
23  Shoreline Cleanup	24	25	26	27 Courses 	28	29
30						



Opportunities abound for volunteers in the Port Moody Power and Sail Squadron. We serve a large number of people, and are always looking for help, and even when we have enough people, we are looking to the future and considering how to provide capabilities in the future that need training today. Here are just a few of the key roles and skills we are hoping to find among our members;

Instructors and Proctors: We have an excellent team of Instructors and Proctors, but are always looking forward to being able to increase what we can offer people from a training perspective. We're also working on a series of evening or weekend seminars open to the public. Proctoring is an excellent opportunity to get exposed to the educational arm of our Squadron, for many it is very rewarding being able to help students and in fact learn much more about the subject at hand as Proctors than they may have as students. If you'd like to help out with the training side of things, we want to speak to you!

Graphic Artist: We have a significant need for volunteers with graphic arts capabilities who can work with both raster and vector image tools. Our needs include creation and editing of graphics content for our newsletter and web presence, content employed for marketing and events, and content employed by the squadron for its business functions. Being able to work comfortably in Photoshop and Illustrator or reasonable equivalents would be desirable for this role.

Web Related: Seeking volunteers interested in helping manage our technical infrastructure, build web site functions, administer our servers and email, and help design and develop our website. We are in an interesting period of change, being driven by the CPS National changes to their systems on which much of our content resides, and anticipate either new development on that platform or moving forward with our own plans for managing web content. If you have technical skills, talk to us!

Quarterdeck: We're always looking for people to contribute articles and content that benefit Squadron members, and publish this today in both the Quarterdeck newsletter as well as our private and public Facebook presence. Shortly we expect to be expanding this to our new content management system, so that our web site also contributes to distributing this content. We're also looking for people to assist with putting together the Quarterdeck newsletter, learn the tools used to build this publication, and help us improve our newsletter moving forward.

Volunteer Officer: Just as we have a Membership Officer who focuses on recruiting new members, ensuring existing members are satisfied and their needs are being met, and being a voice for members to the Bridge, PMPSS wants to have the same focus for volunteers. This is a role aimed at members who have already served on our bridge at some point so that they have experience with how Squadron operations take place, but this is also a new role, and will develop throughout this bridge year, the most important thing you can bring to the table is your values, focus on volunteer role satisfaction, and a passion for serving our membership. You will be working closely with the Commander and Executive Officer developing this new role.

Socials Assistants: This year we are taking on more social activities, and working to include more social elements into other Squadron events like our Recreational Vehicle Courtesy Checks and our annual Shoreline Cleanup. Frankly, our Socials people are GREAT, but more hands make light work, so if you enjoy planning social activities, let us know!

RVCC Inspectors: Our 2018 Cinco de Mayo event had the largest turnout we've ever had for our Recreational Vehicle Courtesy Checks, which of course was great! What wasn't so great was that we didn't have enough qualified inspectors to meet demand, and we were not able to get to everyone who wanted an inspection. Learning to be an RVCC inspector is not difficult, is very rewarding in terms of knowing you are helping keep people safe on the water, and provides a unique learning opportunity to see other vessels and how other vessel owners are doing things and solving problems. We provide both online training and mentorship with existing Inspectors, so if you have an interest, let's discuss it further!

If these opportunities interest you or you have other ideas how you might like to volunteer, please reach out to our Commander (commander@portmoodypss.com) or our Executive Officer (execofficer@portmoodypss.com) so that we can discuss this with you and put you in touch with the right people.

VOLUNTEER



Did you know? CPS is turning 80 years old!

The Canadian Power & Sail Squadron (CPS) community was founded in 1938, and will be celebrating its 80th anniversary in 2018! Squadrons across Canada are celebrating during the month of July.

At PMPSS, we are already organizing a “Sunday Summer Patio Party” on July 29th at Willy’s Galley between 4-9pm so we thought that we would celebrate then (See pg. 4 of The Quarter-deck).

Please join us as we celebrate CPS turning 80. You never know, there could be cake! 🍰

Give Paws

Our four legged members including new member, Monte! (Pictured in life jacket)





Sunday, September 23rd
10am start time so arrive early!



Come join us for a few hours of rewarding work and a whole lot of fun! You will be amazed at what we find, maybe you'll even set a new record! This will be an amazing day to come out and help make a difference in our community and local waters, and a good excuse to hang out with fellow boaters.

We'll meet at the picnic shelters, please bring boots appropriate for walking in tidal flats, sunblock if needed, and long arm grabber/reacher tools are always handy. We'll have coffee and snacks available. Questions? Gary Coleman can likely provide answers! environment@portmoodypss.com
 More details will be available as the date approaches.

RVCC Cinco de Mayo Style

This year's RVCC (Recreation Vessel Courtesy Check) held on May 5th was not only fun but a great success! Thirty-six boats were inspected by Burnaby, Coquitlam and Port Moody squadrons plus we had a strong turn out for the Swap Meet and Cinco de Mayo festivities. A Boat simulator was on hand and tacos and mock margaritas were served by Willy's Galley all the while kids had fun swatting at a piñata. Thank you to all who came out and volunteered to make this event such a memorable one! A special thanks to Anmore Time's Glenne Baron for amazing photos on the newspaper's Facebook page (and found here) as well as Steve Van Gaalen of Vanco Fire Protection Ltd for fire extinguisher inspections. Would you like a safety inspection? Contact Gary Coleman by email: rvcc@portmoodypss.com



Dan was spotted with a PMPSS hat! You can get your own by talking to Julie Bruce!



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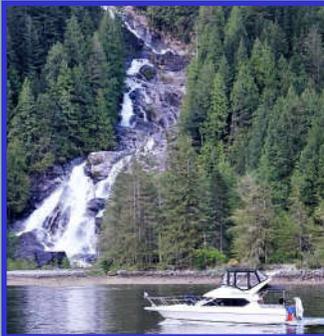
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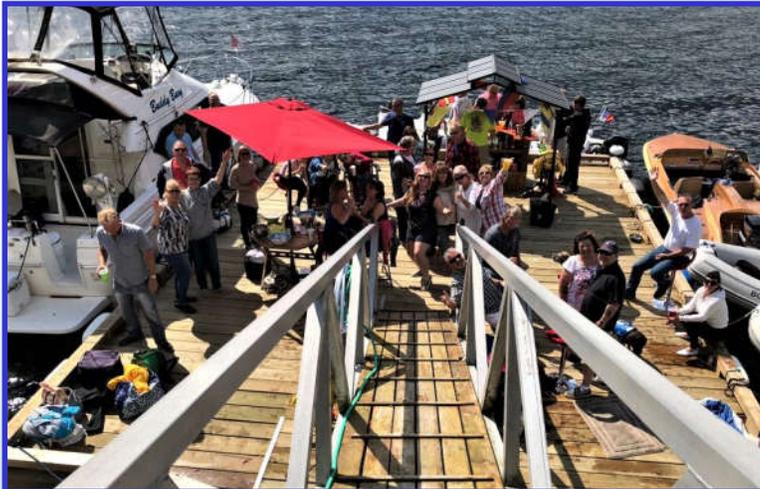


Have a story? Some pictures perhaps? Article ideas? Or a celebration? Send me an email!
editor@portmoodypss.com
 Cheers,
 Dianne Kakanowski, Editor

May Long Weekend



May Long Weekend



This year the green jacket went to Ken Zotek and the black brick award was given jointly to Julie Bruce and Michelle Warrington.



NEED A NEW SQUADRON BURGEE OR CPS FLAG?



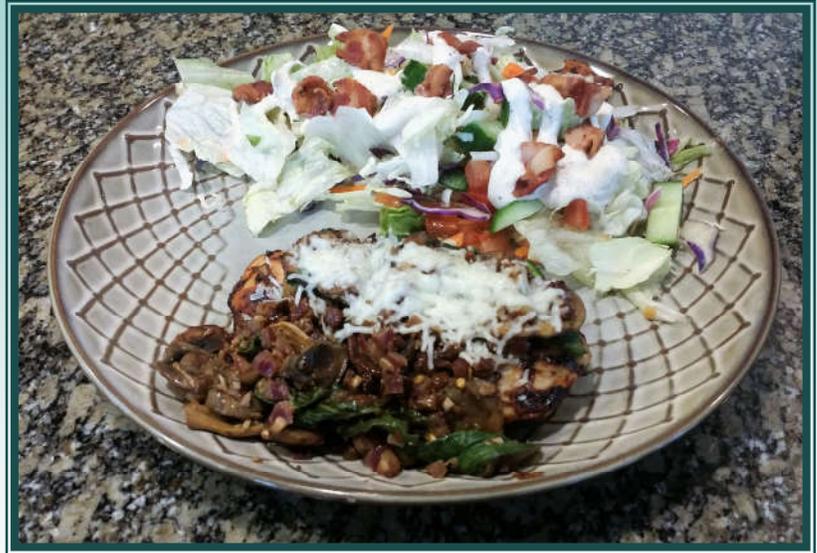
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The Captain's Table

Asiago Chicken with Spinach and Mushrooms

An easy meal to prepare and can be served with a wide variety of side dishes.



Ingredients:

4-6 [6] oz boneless skinless chicken breast
1 [12] oz prepared Italian salad dressing
1 tsp Mediterranean Herb or Rotisserie chicken seasoning
16 oz sliced mushrooms, crimini, button, portabella [your preference]
3 green onion, thinly sliced
olive oil
2 Tbsp butter or light butter
salt and black pepper
2 clove garlic, minced
1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
1/2 tsp red pepper flakes [more or less to your taste]
12 oz baby spinach
1 cup shredded Asiago cheese

Preparation:

Place the chicken breasts in a large plastic storage bag and marinate in the Italian dressing overnight. To prepare, remove the chicken from the marinade and discard the mari-

nade. Season the chicken on both sides with Mediterranean Herb or Rotisserie chicken seasoning. Drizzle a large pan with olive oil and add 2 Tbsp of butter or light butter. Sear the chicken for 3-4 minutes on each side or until the juices run clear. Adjust the time based on the thickness of the chicken breasts. Remove to a platter, cover and keep warm.

In the same pan, sauté the mushrooms for 2-3 minutes then add the sliced green onions and minced garlic. Add additional olive oil, if needed. Season with salt and black pepper to your taste. Add the Worcestershire sauce and red pepper flakes. Cook for around 2-3 minutes until the onions begin to soften.

Add the baby spinach. Sauté until the spinach wilts and the juice evaporates. Spoon on top of the chicken pieces and cover each with Asiago cheese. Sprinkle the tops with additional Mediterranean Herb or Rotisserie chicken seasoning, if desired. Transfer to a baking sheet and place under the oven broiler for 2 minutes or until the cheese melts.

Yield: 4-6 servings

HAVE YOU PUT OFF GETTING YOUR

Courses for VHF run often through the year on a demand basis. Check www.portmoodypps.com or contact Lynn Meisl at 604-516-6072.

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PMPSS Bridge 2018/2019

Have you considered volunteering with our Squadron? Let us know! PMPSS can always use help in a variety of areas (see page 8 of this edition of The Quarterdeck). If any of the opportunities interest you or you have other ideas how you might like to volunteer, please reach out to our Commander (commander@portmoodypss.com) or our Executive Officer (execofficer@portmoodypss.com) so that we can discuss this with you and put you in touch with the right people.

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Variety's Boat for Hope



Candid Camera!



Random recent photos.
Did you spot yourself?

