

Bridge Meeting Minutes / Feb 13th 2017 / Sarnia Power and Sail Squadron

Present: Peter Jones, Dave Sidenberg, Murray Long, Hazel Huffman, Chris Schooley, Martin Sanders

Regrets: Ossie Ianni, Mike Shauteet

Officers Reports

Commander: Peter reported to all of us regarding the *Officer Training* that he and Martin attended in Wallaceburg on Saturday Feb 11th 2017. The training was facilitated by Commander Jim Atkinson from Windsor and was excellent. It provided excellent insight regarding policies and procedures of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons and what is expected from officers. The training included available info on the Web Site such as WBAS, Members Web, Officers Web and a host of other valuable resources. Peter brought up holding a local membership meeting with meal and a speaker as a means to bring local membership together. It was brought up in the group to send out a type of survey to find out where we are at with our members. The survey would give valuable insight to help us sustain and grow. Peter also mentioned the SYC would do a Shadow Box for our Squadron and we were asked to find items related to our squadron from the past for the box. Lastly, Peter provided handouts for the Online Seamanship Courses for Winter of 2017 and Spring courses in Port Huron that consisted of Cruise planning and Marine Electrical Systems.

Treasurer: Hazel provided financial reports for December 2016 and January 2017. Hazel indicates if you want to be paid, it is important to provide her with invoices. All invoices are currently up to date.

Secretary: Martin expressed that he was very impressed with the Officer Training he took with Peter in Wallaceburg. The guide book provided is a valuable tool.

Training Officer / Education Officer: Dave indicates that all courses are up to date.

VHF Officer: Dave mentions that 5 students are signed up for upcoming VHF courses that are done at St. Pats High School as per course calendar.

PCOC: Dave indicates that 1 student is registered for PCOC as per course calendar

Web Officer: Web site is constantly monitored by Dave and adjusted as required. The same applies to the Facebook Site that continues to be a successful site for promotion of our Squadron

Social Officer: Sunday March 12, 2016 is the District Council Meeting at SYC. Chris says he can use help for set up and let him know. The District AGM will be at the Holiday Inn April 23rd 2017 in Sarnia. A race boater will be the speaker. Chris is also working on the Sarnia AGM upcoming in May. Pat Edwards is doing the meal.

Supply Officer: Murray says he possibly has names, addresses and phone numbers of members for Sarnia in helping out with our promotion of Squadron.

Motion: Made by Murray, 2nd by Dave to approve Officers Report. Carried

New Business: In a continuing and very important effort to promote our Squadron a in depth discussion was had and a decision made to purchase brochure stands with VHF Marine Radio and Come on Board and Fly the Flag pamphlets in the stands and stickers to be placed at selected and approved locations relevant to our cause in the Sarnia area. Cost would be approx. \$150.00.

Motion: Made by Hazel, 2nd by Chris to purchase stands, stickers and pamphlets. Carried

Motion: Made by Dave, 2nd by Murray to adjourn meeting. Carried. 8:20 pm

Next Meeting: To be held March 13th, 2017 at the Wheel House at 7:00 pm