

## **Bridge Meeting Minutes / Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 / Sarnia Power and Sail Squadron**

**Present:** Peter Jones, Mike Shauteet, Dave Sidenberg, Chris Schooley, Martin Sanders

**Regrets:** Ossie Ianni, Murray Long, Hazel Huffman

**Motion:** Made by Chris, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave to approve Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes. Carried

### **Officers Reports**

**Commander:** Peter brought forth that membership meetings should be held every 2 months starting in October. The whole purpose would be to promote the Sarnia Power and Sail Squadron and the training available to help enroll new members. In addition, the membership meetings would perhaps stir up interest with existing members who may be dormant and would like more training or would like to engage with our Bridge. Peter has planned the first membership meeting for Oct 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at SYC. Details of set up and input from all were discussed. Sharon Lehnert will be doing a presentation. Invitations have also been looked after by Peter. Dave Sidenberg would promote the classes at meeting also. Peter sent out a News Blast to Bob Parke, letters to non email SPSS members along with a request for SYC email address's. It was also mentioned by Peter inviting US and Canadian Customs, Coast Guard and possibly RCMP for May membership meeting. This will require further discussion and planning.

**Executive Officer:** No Report

**MAREP:** Mike reported that water levels for all Great Lakes continue to be above last year levels. Lakes Superior, Michigan and Huron are 6 inches above from last year while Lakes St. Clair and Huron are 5 inches above last year. Lake Ontario is 13 inches above from last year.

**RVCC:** Mike indicated he has done a total of 16 RVCC's at Vancouver, Grand Bend and Sarnia. In addition, Peter has done a total of 22 with ½ failing because of flares

**Financial Officer:** On behalf of Hazel, Peter said Sarnia financial all done and the books were the best ever

**Secretary:** No Report

**Education Officer:** Dave handed out a sheet of the approved training courses upcoming for Boating 2 & 3, PCOC and VHF. Registration for Boating 2 & 3 will be Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. at St. Pats. Recognized Instructors and examiners are to be recertified every 4 years. Boating Basics, PCOC and VHF courses will be re written and take effect Jan 2018. In addition, the Boating Basics and PCOC exam may be open book exam. Will be decided at National Mtg. Oct 24-29 in Charlottetown.

**Web Officer:** Dave has all courses posted on line and up to date including Facebook :

**Social Officer:** Discussion was held regarding Sarnia hosting 2018 District Rendezvous and it was decided that we do it 2019. Further discussion to be held. A lot of work is involved doing this. Our Christmas dinner will be held on December 11th at Nicks Diner as we have done in the past few years. It has been a good experience each time. Chris will let District Commander know of banquet for invite.

**Motion:** Made by Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris to approve Officers Report. Carried

**New Business:** Martin will send Dave a copy of the Revised SPSS policy manual from email that Chris sent him several months ago.

**Motion:** Made by Dave, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to adjourn meeting. Carried

**Next Meeting:** Will be held Nov.13<sup>th</sup>2017 at the Wheel House at 7:00 pm. Time 8:30 pm