

GABRIOLA ISLAND SQUADRON

Minutes of the Bridge Meeting

Held on September 1st, 2021

Via Zoom

Commander Jean van Praet called the meeting to order at 1510.

Present: Jean van Praet, Agathe Gaulin, Bob Wood, Don Butt, Nigel Wells, Li Decosas, Gary Small, Sean Lewis, Mike Hoeinghaus, Andy Hunter, Carole Lemieux.

Regrets: John Bullas.

In Memoriam: Jean spoke of Russ Pearce's long association with the squadron including as past commander and cruise master. He said **Elaine** thanked everyone for their condolences.

Minutes of the previous meeting of June 28th, 2021: moved by Don, seconded by **Andy**, that the Minutes be accepted. **Approved.**

The agenda was approved.

Reports: Commander's report, Communications, Education and Financial are on the website.

There was no correspondence.

Agathe outlined the proposed courses for the fall and winter which will be administered on-line. She also suggested a few seminars, e.g West Coast Weather, Knots, Celestial Navigation, Local Cruising, Weather, and perhaps a boating course at the elementary school using the simulator.

PRO: **Agathe** mentioned that the Sounder write-ups have been well received. She will meet with the Sounder and offer payment to be more assured of publication of future articles.

Li'l Gabe at village for September 4 – 6 with brochures. Discussion on who will attend and when. **Mike** to talk to Nesters re using their parking lot.

Sponsors: letters not yet written. Jean to talk to Jude.

RVCC's: **Bob** said he and his team looked at @ 22 boats.

Advertising: **Nigel** to put on Facebook re returning flares to Nanaimo. Info also to go on website.

Sandwich boards: **Li** has already put on-line VHF courses on the boards. PCOC to be possibly added and/or boating courses and ROC-M.

Scuttlebutt: **Don** would like articles before September 9th.

Discussion on possible Christmas party.

Next meeting Monday, October 18th @ 1500.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1559.