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#### CPS All General Meeting

In October I attended the National Conference in Edmonton. Admittedly, I went with some reservation and perhaps a low expectation for what I felt was in store for me. However, the more I got involved in the conference meetings and shared our squadrons concerns with other commanders from across Canada, my attitude soon changed. I experienced several paradigm shifts and I now have great expectations for the success of CPS for many years to come. In my opinion, CPS has taken stock of where we are positioned in the market for educating the public in safe boating as well as where we are financially. Goals have been set to improve our course material, increase our market share for training Canadians and to take steps at balancing our budgets for a strong financial future. These concerns were frequently raised and adequately addressed at almost every meeting I attended.

However, the real highlight for me was the realization as to just how special a group we are at PMPSS. Many of the areas of concern that were addressed at the conference were answered with reference to what PMPSS is doing and has done. These references, to PMPSS, were made by other Squadrons and the staff and executive of CPS. Is there any wonder we have achieved great success with our individual awards when we have such exceptional members?



#### 2013 PMPSS Calendars

Showcasing this years winning photos taken by our members. 2 themes:

- \* Seascapes,
- \* Pets & Wildlife

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wanted to once again congratulate all of our winners at the recent CPS AGM held in Edmonton. Here are the PMPSS winners:

- Officer of the Year for the Western Provinces <u>Julie Ryder</u>
- Best of the Web -1<sup>st</sup> Place for CPS Portal *Chris Gordon*
- Competitions in Publications Personal Stories/Poems goes to Port Moody for "Port Moody Cruises" in February 2012 Canadian Yachting West – Julie Ryder & Grace Burrell

  - Competitions in Publications Scrapbooks (Calendars) 1st Place goes to ... <u>drum roll please</u> TA DA once again — <u>Julie Ryder</u> (Is it any wonder she is Officer of the Year)
- Commanders Special Award (not an official CPS Award ...yet;) SSA (Special Secret Agent) goes to Agent 99. AKA - <u>Yvonne McCoach</u> for her undercover clandestine submissions to CPS for all of our awards submissions.

As this is the last Quarter Deck of 2012, Sheila and I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and all the best for a very healthy and Happy New Year!



Well done Port Moody, Bruce Leavitt, AP Commander



The Archives is looking for 4 past copies of the Roster / PropWash. This is the yearly publication that we all keep in our boats or homes to locate our fellow boaters. The years that we need are 2000, 1999, 1997, 1993. Please check your basements, attics, boats, and with any friends from other squadrons.

Thank you—Melody Hewson, Historian

## A Matter of Course

### **Boating Essentials**



his course continues where PCOC (Boating Basics) left off and offers

instruction in Navigation, Charting, Plotting and an introduction to Electronic Navigation. PCOC will get you on the water, Boating Essentials will get you safely home.

Topics include magnetic compass, global positioning and charts, navigation, conning, plotting, digital charts, anchoring, lines and ropes, electrical hazards, towing, boating and the environment and more

> **Every Thursday from:** January 24th to April 4th

**Contact: Jeanette Gordon** Phone: 604-464-5775 E-Mail:

training@portmoodypss.com

#### SEAMANSHIP COURSE **CPS**

All Courses held at Port Moody Secondary School

he new full colour L Seamanship Course builds on some of the techniques introduced in the Boating Course.

Seamanship uses traditional navigation, GPS fixes, way points, along with the introduction of deviation.



Seamanship explains the skills needed to understand the hazards of weather, wind, waves, tides and tidal currents and how to deal with them. When unforeseen circumstances arise such as man-overboard and medical emergencies the Seamanship Course teaches how to acquire the skills to deal with potentially life-threatening situations.

> **Every Thursday from:** February 7th to April 4th

Contact: Glenn Richmond Phone: 604-788-3971

E-Mail: advtraining@portmoodypss.com

## The Canadian Power Squadron SAIL Course



eing offered this Winter, this course covers everything you need to know from a Sunday afternoon sailor to

serious racing

- Sailboat Rig
- Sail plans
- Boat design and hull types
- Standing and running rigging
- Sail shape

- Preparing to sail
- Stability, balance,
- Sailing upwind, downwind, heavy weather sailing and storm conditions

A PCOC card will get

you out there, but a

CPS boating course

will get you back

- Docking and anchoring
- Marlinspike seamanship
- Navigation rules
- Safety

**Every Thursday from:** January 31st to April 4

Contact: Glenn Richmond Phone: 604-788-3971 E-Mail:

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#### **Boatina Basics**

PLEASURE CRAFT OPERATOR COMPETENCY PROGRAM

Anyone who operates a motorized pleasure craft must carry proof of competency on board

Training Department will be offering a two-evening Boating Basics Course on January 10th & 17th

#### VHF Radio A Course

ll those who operate the radio are required by law to have a



**Restricted Operator's** Certificate (Maritime). Classes On Request



For further information on dates and time, or to register for these courses, please contact:

Lynn at 604-516-6072 lmeisl@telus.net OR

Glen Anchor at 604-461-5677

December 2012

#### Fall Student Cruise

We had a great Student cruise experience. The weather was not very promising with rain and predicted high winds, but the rain let up for a bit and there were no real winds while we were out there. This allowed the students to move from boat to boat and meet the squadron members who gave their time and shared their boats for this event. Thank you to Steve Van Gaalen for his excellent fire extinguisher demonstration; to the skippers and crew of Big Booty, Boy'N'Sea, Caliente, Merlin, Sea Baer and Sea Horse; and to Arlene Gojevic for arranging the lunch. Last but not least, big thanks to Glenn Richmond for organizing the event.

The Boating class is preparing to write the exams on December 6, 2012. The CPS 2 forms have been

sent to Bruce Littlejohn and he will be there to supervise the exams.

There are 17 students rad writing.

Student Grad Night January 8th

January 8th at Joe's Atlantic Grill on St Johns Street, Port Moody, Open to all members. Submitted by Jeanette Gordon, JN,

#### T-Shirt Giveaway

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#### Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary Has New Name



The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary has a new name - Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue. Although they work closely with the Canadian Coast Guard, they are a totally separate organization, and the new name recognizes the distinction.

The Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue has more than 1000 members in BC, with stations in 46 communities. Their area of operation covers more than 27000 square kilometers of BC coastline.

The royal title was granted by Queen Elizabeth II In February 2012 in recognition of the organization's long standing service, broad geographic coverage and philanthropic mandate.

## Environment Canada

## Services Survey 2012

Environment Canada (EC) is responsible for providing marine weather and ice information, and issuing all marine weather alerts for Canadian waters. Environment Canada is committed to understanding the needs of mariners. We are conducting a survey to better understand those needs and the use of our services.

We would like as many mariners as possible to complete the survey. If you are a mariner please take a few minutes to complete the survey. If you know other mariners who may be interested in participating, please share this invitation with them.

Your participation will remain completely confidential and anonymous. Results will be used to shape the weather information that EC provides to mariners.

To begin this survey, please click here: <a href="http://ec.sondages-surveys.ca/s/marine2012/langeng/">http://ec.sondages-surveys.ca/s/marine2012/langeng/</a>

If you have any questions regarding this survey, please contact Daniel Huang at 709-256-6608 or daniel.huang@ec.gc.ca.

#### Cruising in Santa's Christmas Ships Flotilla

Cruising in Santa's Christmas Ships flotilla, at night, is a huge responsibility and safety is paramount. To keep the cruise safe & enjoyable, heed these helpful tips.

Only lighted vessels are invited to participate. Monitor CH. 68 while in the cruise, and switch to another working channel for personal communications (ie 09 etc). Confirm your navigation lights are working and on. If you have a portable generator, place it in a well ventilated area at the stern of the boat. Check on your generator's fuel consumption regularly. If power is lost, advise the lead vessel and try to resolve the problem. If it can not be resolved, advise the lead vessel and pull out of the flotilla. If you need to leave the flotilla for any reason, again advise the lead vessel via CH 68.

Keep at least 3 boat lengths between vessels. Maintain a steady 5 knot speed, and do not pass any other vessel in the flotilla unless instructed to do so. Keep a close lookout on the waters and report any hazards to navigation, or safety concerns, to the lead vessel via CH 68, or cell phone. Be very aware of unlit vessels anchored/moored in cruising areas.

Unless there's a wind or fog advisory, the flotilla will leave the marina at 19:00 HRS (7pm).

## Looking Astern













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## ▶The Great Winter Sailing Adventure of 2012 👊





Every winter, three of my friends and I get together for our annual guys' weekend sail. Why winter? Why not? It's challenging and our schedules are usually conveniently aligned. This year, they aligned in January, a little earlier and colder than we would have liked but we threw comfort to the winds and agreed to the date. Three of us are competent, experienced sailors, the fourth fellow, Peter, was along for the companionship and the scotch!

## Off we set. About 10 minutes out the high temperature engine alarm went off.

We started on a day of snow and freezing rain, with the challenge of the drive to Horseshoe Bay looking like it might be the adventure of the weekend. Little did we know! We met at Sewell's Marina on Friday night as usual, for dinner and drinks in the local Horseshoe Bay pubs. The weather was atrocious; cold driving rain, slush and high winds made for an unpleasant experience loading the boat. We expected a change in the system overnight, and sure enough, Saturday broke quite nicely, a bit windy, overcast and grey, but not pouring rain. Off we set. About 10 minutes out the high temperature engine alarm went off. In the rush to

load the boat the previous night in the nasty weather, I had forgotten to open the sea cock. I switched off the engine, cursing my forgetfulness, and we hung out a foresail to get the boat under steerage way and under control. The sailing looked to be pretty good, so we decided to put up the mainsail and carry on, figuring we'd handle the engine later, after giving it a chance to cool.

We had a great few hours of sailing, with nice winds and calm seas. However we eventually hit the eternal dead spot behind (north of) Keats Island and had to resort to the motor. It overheated right away. I realized we had cooked the impeller, the smell of rubber and the impeller pump leaking being obvious clues! Like any prepared boater, I had a spare. Now, changing an impeller is something I have always realized I should be able to tackle. I knew what to do, but wasn't quite sure I was confident enough to tackle it for the first time while at sea. Fortunately, Peter, the non sailor with us, is a mechanically inclined fellow who works on his own engines in his cars. After a quick description of the problem he had the pump off, exposing a totally disintegrated and thus ruined impeller. I cleaned out as many bits as I could, and Peter reassembled the pump. The pump gasket was leaking a small but consistent flow, about a cup an hour, but the engine stayed cool and that's what counted. The wind picked up again as we rounded into the bay, and with our confidence in the cooling system somewhat restored, we turned off the engine and continued to sail. Upon approach to Gibson's Marina, we turned on the motor, and we got to our assigned slip with no further problems. We had a great evening of drinks, dinner and more chat and solved many of the world's problems.

Sunday morning an expected storm had set in. The wind was already strong in Gibson's, howling

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through the shrouds and slapping halyards against masts throughout the marina. One of our party had a plane to catch, and the rest of us had work the next day anyway, so there was a strong desire to get home. It would have been way more comfortable, and a good deal safer, to have stayed in Gibson's and spend the day tucked up in the marina. But after checking forecasts and weather station reports, we realized that we were getting the inflow from the storm in the Strait, and that the inside route should be manageable, if a little stinky, as long as we set out early enough. So, off we set. We still had that leaking impeller pump but reasoned that being under low pressure it should certainly hold for the 2 hour trip back. And that's good because as we rounded behind the northwestern tip of Keats, the winds were either too low, or too unpredictable, to sail. There was an outflow wind stronger than predicted, and it was in a pitched battle against the inflow from the storm in the Strait. The result was a bouncing between northerly and southerly winds; but we were riding through the relative calm right on the boundary between them. As we passed abeam of Hutt Island, we heard a "securite" weather warning of storm force winds issued by Coast Guard on the VHF. We knew we hadn't much time. It had been a good decision to set out earlier than planned.

As we approached Finisterre Island, and prepared to cross Howe Sound, the outflow was winning. The crossing started out hairy, with nasty 20-25 knots winds and 5-6 foot waves, but passable. I've been in those conditions before. That wasn't all for us though as the inflow had really just gotten going and it soon started to rip through and mix it up with the outflow with those ferocious storm force 40 knot winds. The resultant maelstrom threw up big confused seas and ripped off the top of the waves, sending huge sheets of salt water across the sound. A couple of those sheets swirled higher and higher eventually working their way into becoming water spouts. We were still 15 minutes out of Horseshoe Bay, in very dangerous con-

ditions and at risk of being completely overwhelmed by the weather. Even the dinghy, deflated and tied down, tried to abandon ship as the winds lifted it up against the lifelines and tried to toss it over. Nobody was going forward to secure it!

Had anything major broken at that point, either the motor or the steering system, we would have been finished. A good rule of thumb for small boats is that the boat shouldn't be out in winds (in knots) stronger than it is long (in feet). So for us, that means even 30 knot winds are too much. Our little boat with its 20 hp motor is simply not strong enough for those conditions. But we hung on, and moments later threaded our way up the alleys of Sewell's marina and landed safely in my slip.

Would we have set out knowing the final conditions? Probably not. Should we have set out? Probably not. It's important not to let your schedule overwhelm your safety. But with a crew of experienced sailors on board, and with our mechanically inclined crewmember now appointed "Chief Engineer", and most importantly, with safety and backup plans at every stage, we felt confident enough to take the challenge. And with some luck on our side, we now have a great tale to tell on future trips, about the Great Winter Sailing Adventure of 2012.

Submitted by Chris Gordon



# Looking Ahead 💦

## Upcoming Activities & Events

### December



We are hosting a CPS course information & registration table at:

- Thrifty's Port Moody on December 1st 12 – 2 p.m
- Port Moody Library on Dec 16<sup>th</sup> 1 – 5 p.m.

We would like more volunteers to help at the table .

Volunteers Please Contact: Susan Cooper

Public Relations Officer coopersw@telus.net

604 461 5011 or 604 250 2377



### Santa's Christmas Ships Parade

Fridays & Saturday nights: 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 21st & 22nd 7pm-10pm—Open to all boaters

#### Santa at:

- Rocky Point—Fri 14th
  - · Belcarra—Sat 15th

Contact Barry Wilson at ba6755@telus.net or

ba6755@telus.net or Ph 604-808-0861

Next Skippers Meeting: Dec 1 @ 12pm noon

## December 18th CP Holiday Train

This year the CP Holiday train will arrive on Tuesday,
December 18, 2012 at 9:05 pm
behind the arena and
Recreation Centre, 300 Ioco
Road.

Entertainers include <u>Doc</u>

<u>Walker, Miss Emily</u>, and the

Brothers Dube.



## <u>January</u>

January 1, 2013 Penguin Plunge

> Rocky Point, Port Moody



## **February**

February 2nd

**Mardis Gras** 

Party Details TBA



#### February 7 - 11

Online tickets
for the 2013
show will be
available for
purchase on
December 1st,
2012.Admission
includes the
indoor show at
BC Place and
the In-Water



venue at Granville Island Maritime Market and Marina; shuttle bus or water ferry between the two locations; FREE boat rides; access to unbiased experts at the Discover Boating Centre; seminars; and all special show features.

- \$15: General Admission (17 to 64 yrs.)
- \$13: Senior Admission (Ages 65+)
- \$20: Adult Two-Day Pass (17 to 64 yrs.)
- \$17: Senior Two-Day Pass (Ages 65+)
- FREE Kids (16 yrs. & under), when accompanied by an adult

## Happy Birthday

# Happy birthday to Dave Edgar (Davey's Locker) another member

Dave Edgar (Davey's Locker), another member joining the 50 milestone club... welcome aboard!



### Grandparents Again



Arlene Gojevic (Boy N Sea) are proud

grand parents for the 2nd time, now to grandson Oliver Hunter Gojevic born October 20, 7lbs 2 oz, to Ryan and Laura Gojevic.

Chris & Jeanette Gordon (Rainbow) are the proud grandparents



for the 3rd time, now to

grandson William Jeffery Gordon, born November 6th to Jamie Gordon & Kaila Berarducci.

## Bye Bye Boatini



Jim & Kim Church are temporarily boatless now

that they've sold Boatini ...hope they find another one soon or be doomed to wonder the world aimlessly with Burgee in hand.



The CPS 75th Anniversary Pins are now available! \$5.00 each when you purchase before December 31st

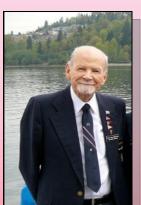
Contact Kim Church: supplies@portmoodypss.com

## Remembering Ron Curties



Membership certificate in 1993. Port Moody was his home town and in 2005 Ron and his wife Tomie joined the Port Moody PSS and were both involved in the safe boating training department.

On their boat "Tomie Too" they always participated in the squadron's on the water activities. Ron for many years took Santa aboard his boat from his dock on Alderside to Rocky Point for the "Lighting of the Tree." After he sold his boat, he spent many years



meeting the Carol Ships at Rocky Point with Santa and the "Great Book" for all the kids to sign. Every January 1st, Ron would host the Penguin Swim in Port Moody. He was a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, doing safe boating checks all over the lower mainland. Ron's wife, Tomie was

always by his side; she passed away in 2010. They both will be missed.

Ron received many awards in his lifetime, including the Freedom of the City from Port Moody. The list of all his achievements is very vast, many are mentioned on the web site for Port Moody City Hall.

Ron Curties passed away on Tuesday November 13th 2012. A Memorial will be held in the Spring of 2013.

Respecfully submitted, Melody Hewson



#### Santa's Sweets & Savouries

ruising in Santa's Christmas Ships Parade certainly gets everyone in the spirit of the season. For many boaters it has become their main venue for family & friend get-togethers. However, 3 hour cruises at night with a boatful of guests can be a bit of a challenge when it comes to serving snacks & drinks.

Think safety first. No matter what size of boat you have, the key to success is to prepare your offerings at home and bring them ready to eat & drink. A crock pot full of hot apple cider adding a spiced aroma to the air may seem like a good idea. That is until one unseen rogue wave hits you broadside creating a mini tsunami of hot, sticky liquid sloshing over it's walls and possibly onto your guests and/or all over your galley. Instead, invest in a couple of dispenser-type thermoses to keep large quantities of liquids well contained. Travel mugs are also perfect for use on a boat; they keep hot drinks hot and cold drinks cold, but more importantly, they help reduce spillages. Secondly, with an already taxed power grid, with or without a generator running, using appliances such as a microwave or an electric kettle may just be too much for it. The last thing you want to have

happen is to lose power, including your nav lights, while underway causing a total blackout and making it difficult to be seen by the boaters behind you.

Keep in mind that in order to arrive at the parade's starting point by 7pm, you'd need your guests to arrive by 6pm at the latest. This means that you and your guests may or may not have had time for dinner so whatever you decide to provide, make sure your guests know



what to expect. You don't want them to starve, or show up full and not able to eat your spread. Many guests like to offer to bring something as a thank you gesture for inviting them. The best types of food to suggest they bring are simple ones such as chips, or spreads & dips for veggies and seafood, or something that can be added to a platter you are already bringing such as cheese & crackers, or an antipasto assortment. Alternately, indulge

everyone's sweet tooth with a dessert tray of cookies, pastries and fruits, to go with dessert beverages such as egg nog, hot chocolate & spiced apple cider.

To save table space, use small stacking

or tiered serving dishes, and don't put everything out at once. Having all your foods pre-washed and pre-sliced will make it a snap to refill smaller sized serving ware as they empty, keeping the remaining food fresh in the fridge and ready for the next night if not used. Make clean up a breeze with 6" disposable paper plates, but if there are only a few guests, re-usable plastic plates are the more economical

Once underway, the hustle and bustle of keeping the needs of guests met can often result in the needs of the captain getting overlooked. Therefore, give the captain his (or her) own thermos and plate of snacks to keep by the helm before leaving the dock. That should at least keep him going until a more opportune moment comes along to check on him.

and green way to go.

Remember it's supposed to be a fun and stress free time for all, not just the guests, so try to keep it simple and not go "overboard" with it.

pudding mix

dissolves

pour over rolls.

mixtures

•Next

raisins over rolls.

•Melt butter and

ingredients over low

morning

8/10

remove foil and bake

at 350 degrees for 30

minutes. Let stand 5

minutes, then invert

carefully

serving dish.

and

#### Cinnamon Roll Pull-Apart

#### Ingredients

24 frozen dinner rolls 1 (106g) package butterscotch pudding mix ( not instant) 1/2 cup butter 3/4 cup brown sugar 3/4 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 cup raisins

#### Directions

rolls Arrange greased fluted tube

Spicy Apple Rum Toddy Makes 4 servings. Boil 1 cup water. Add 4

cinnamon-apple-spice tea bags and steep 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and add 2 cups apple juice, 6 tbsp rum, 6 tbsp apple-brandy and 2 tsp honey. Keep warm over low heat. pan. Sprinkle dry | Serve in mugs garnished with apple slices & cinnamon sticks if desired.



#### **Orange** Chocolate Martini

Blend together 1-1/2 c half and half, 1/2 c chocolate syrup, 1/4 c vodka, and 1-1/2 tbsp

Triple Sec liqueur. Evenly divide between martini glasses. Top off each glass with orange soda & garnish with whipped cream, chocolate sprinkles and orange section. Serves 4.



#### Easy Pinwheels

Ingredients
4 10" flour tortilla 8 oz cream cheese 1/2 c sour cream 1/4 c mayonnaise Seafood sauce

Green onions, coarsely chopped Cocktail shrimp or crab (cooked) Shredded mozzarella cheese

Mix cream cheese, sour cream mayonnaise and spread onto tortilla. Layer over seafood sauce, then shrimp or crab, onions, and cheese. Roll tightly and wrap to hold with food wrap. Refrigerate for 2 hours, then slice into 3/4 in size pieces. Serves 15.

#### Blue Candy Cane Shooter

Carefully pour 1 part Blue Curacao directly into the shot glass. Try not to pour on the sides of the glass or splash the ingredient. \* Put 1 part Peppermint Schnapps into another glass. Turn a spoon upside down and place it inside the glass with the tip of the spoon against the side of the glass, above the first layer but not touching it. As slowly as possible and from the opposite side of where you're holding the spoon, pour the Peppermint Schnapps over the back of the spoon, moving the spoon up as the level of ingredients rises. \* Repeat with the final part of Creamo. Let the different layers stabilize for a moment, then serve.



October's Qrossword Answers

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# Qrossword

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#### Across

- 6. An act, statement, or gift that is intended to show gratitude, respect, or admiration
- 10. Plan and control (an event or operation).
- 11. A meeting of people who "confer" about a topic
- 12. Materials used in construction, including sand, gravel, crushed stone
- 14. A set of questions or exercises evaluating skill or knowledge
- 18. Showing concern for humanity, esp by performing charitable actions, donating money, etc
- 19. A rotating device used to force fluid in a desired direction under pressure.
- 21. The error induced in compasses by local magnetic fields
- 23. A very powerful whirlpool

#### Down

- 1. Starts an important safety message on a VHF radio.
- 2. Greatly pleasing to the taste; delicious.
- 3. An exciting or unusual experience with an uncertain outcome.
- 4. A person who acts as a representative or promoter of a specified activity.
- 5. An illustration or explanation, of a theory or product, by practical
- 7. Quantitative research
- 8. Typically a mixed drink made of liquor and water with sugar and spices and served hot
- 9. Showing fascination with death, disease, maining
- 10. Kept secret or done secretively
- 13. Situations that poses a level of threat to life, health, property, or
- 15. A request to do something, most commonly addressed to a government official or public entity.
- 16. An authoritative order or command
- 17. An excavation site in the earth for extracting coal or other minerals
- 18. A web site that brings information from diverse sources in a unified way
- 20. A way of viewing reality

for the community that shares them 22. A ring or circlet of flowers, boughs, or leaves.



## As Seen In The News

#### The Future of Howe Sound?

wild and remote and still just 30 minutes from Vancouver. It epitomizes Beautiful British Columbia. Tens of millions of dollars have been spent cleaning up Howe Sound after decades of industrial abuse. It has paid off with fish populations increasing and ongoing sightings of grev and killer whales and a large pod of dolphins which have "re-colonized the Sound." But this recovery is at a fragile

stage and Howe Sound remains largely

unprotected, with no long term land use

plan. Caught between many different

political jurisdictions, the fragile

Howe Sound is a beautiful place,

ecosystem of Howe Sound is at risk. Did you know that Howe Sound, the beautiful fjord right on Vancouver's doorstep, is the proposed site of a large scale gravel mine, a mine large enough to be seen from space? Did you realize

that an Alberta aggregate company, Burnco Rock products, is looking to remove the McNab Creek river valley to create this gravel mine and crushing facility less than 20 km from two other gravel operations?



The impact of the noise. light and air pollution and the ugly scar of an open pit mine in one of the

most beautiful fiords in the world and a BC landmark on the Sea to Sky corridor, will be immense. The economic



benefits to Burnco are evident, but the potentially negative economic impacts to other sectors are significant. It will have a negative impact on the recreational

and commercial fishers, tourism operators, boaters, recreational property owners and numerous children's camps with, literally thousands of campers each year, that currently enjoy the ecosystem of Howe Sound. Would you be surprised to hear that Burnco's own consultants have identified 21 species that are on the Species at Risk list? [Read the list from Burnco's Proposal here].

#### How You Can Help

You're asked to be an ambassador for all of the inhabitants of Howe Sound. Help keep Howe Sound a celebrated place of beauty, and a place that will be appreciated by countless future generations.

Tell the government you support

the recovery of **Howe Sound. Take** action and Sign the Petition





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