



# The Hailer



## Alouette Power & Sail Squadron

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### ALOUETTE POWER & SAIL SQUADRON BRIDGE 2009-2010

| <u>ELECTED OFFICERS</u>   |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| COMMANDER                 | Doug Roberts              |
| EXECUTIVE                 | Al Thomas                 |
| TRAINING                  | Bruce Vance               |
| MEMBERSHIP                | Lorena Brady              |
| SECRETARY                 | Brian Higgs               |
| TREASURER                 | Wilf Jacobson             |
| MAREP/SAFETY              | Christopher Steeves       |
| PUBLIC RELATIONS          | Anne MacDonald            |
| <u>APPOINTED OFFICERS</u> |                           |
| ASSISTANT TRAINING        | Ross Mattson              |
| TRAINING BOAT PRO         | Ross Wright               |
| TRAINING VHF              | Lorena Brady              |
| SOCIALS                   | Peggy Roberts             |
| HAILER EDITOR             | Richard Robinson          |
| COMMUNICATIONS            | Jeanette Westerink        |
| CRUISEMASTER              | Roger Paulsen             |
| MEMBER AT LARGE           | Lorne Riding              |
| HISTORIAN                 | Lorena Brady              |
| PORT CAPTAINS             | Bill & Jeanette Westerink |
| WEBMASTER                 | Roger Gendron             |
| PAST COMMANDER            | Al Slater                 |
| SUPPLIES                  | Pam McCall                |
| MEMBER AT LARGE           | Graeme Manning            |

## COMMANDERS REPORT

**Doug Roberts**

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Hi All,

Well, what a summer, we were due after a somewhat dreary spring but you soon forget that. We just returned from Desolation sound where we enjoyed two and a half weeks of sunshine, swimming, prawning, crabbing, and getting oysters. We ate so much seafood that I feel I should be growing gills.

Oh, the best part was meeting up with other Alouette sqd. Boaters in Prideau Haven, Pendrell Sound and Octopus Islands. We all enjoyed swapping stories during the Happy Hour(s).

The July 1st Lamb bake on Saturna was another successful rendezvous the details which I will leave to others to report including the upcoming integrated squadron Cruise and our Salmon barbeque.

All too soon we will be heading into fall and with that our boating class and of course our socials. I hope to see you out to any and all of these events.

If anyone has any questions or concerns on our Squadron's activities or you would like to get involved with some aspect give me or any of the Bridge members a call.

Cheers & Safe Boating

Doug Roberts

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## SOCIAL REPORT

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Summer is going fast and it's hard to think back to our Annual General meeting and Change of Watch that was held on May 14, 2010. This year our dinner was catered by Cosmic catering of Maple Ridge, who provided a *delicious* dinner and gave the busy ladies of our Social Committee a chance to relax a little and enjoy the food. Entertainment was provided by Dennis Hewson from Port Moody Squadron. Dennis is a magician who does tricks with a nautical flare. If we could only mend cut ropes or undo knots as easily as he can.



*Dennis Hewson works his magic on the crowd*



*....and had a very helpful assistant.*

We helped Vee Appleton, lifetime member and Boating Instructor for many years, celebrate his 93rd birthday with a special cake, shaped like a lifejacket, made by Anne MacDonald.



Along with the presentation of merit marks to members who volunteered at least 20 hours of work throughout the year, Mike Dixon received his Lifetime Membership Award for having received merit marks for 20 years. That's a lot of hours that Mike has put in over the years and it was great to be able to show him how much the Squadron appreciates the work he has done. (and continues to do, as he is the MAREP officer on the Bridge this year as well as an instructor)

## ALOUETTE SQUADRON COURTESY CHECK PROGRAM

**Anne MacDonald**

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Five members of Alouette Squadron have volunteered for, and taken the training to be Transport Canada certified to offer free /voluntary courtesy safety checks for recreational boaters.

Aaron Oberman, Allan and Laurel Wright, Richard Robinson and Ross Mattson received the training from trainer Anne MacDonald.

The team set 3 dates to offer courtesy checks at local ramps.

July 17th., 22 boats were checked at Alouette Lake. Pitt Meadows Marina was delayed until Aug.15th, as the Coast Guard Auxillary beat us there July 14th!

Stave Lake was fogged and rained in on August 8th, with only one vessel arriving. Our Zorbie man! His boat passed with flying colors, and he was given his certification sticker. Stave Lake will be offered again when weather improves.

The interesting thing is, that of all the boaters approached, all were positive and happy to participate in the safety check. All the boaters were pulling out their PCO cards, and demonstrating willingness to comply with safety standards! We handed out lots of Safe Boating Guides to go with the owners, and generally found it a positive experience!

Many thanks to the Alouette members who are giving of their time!

# CRUISE REPORT

**Ken Moss**

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The Lamb Bake at Saturna Island on July 1 was again a great success, I estimate there were at least 200 boats anchored in Winter Cove, 9 of them were Alouette Squadron members boats rafted together in the same spot we have always managed to get at the South West side of the Cove by the pier. Nice to have some more 1st timers to the Lamb Bake, members Dot and Brian Koch as well as Gord and Diane Chadwick



We also had a rendezvous in Desolation Sound the week of July 24 through to 31st. Ken and Noreen Moss {Sea Moss} met up with Doug and Peggy Roberts {Miss Teak }on the Saturday in Prideau Haven. The weather was great and the water was 70 + degrees, what a wonderful place. The prawn fishing just outside of Prideau Haven was also very good, Miss Teak had the best catch of a least 140 prawns, We feasted for days.



Bill and Jeanette Westerink { Dutch Comfort } and Alf and Birgit Kiilerich { Diamond 3} showed up on Monday morning, so we all pulled anchor and headed for Pendrell Sound, { move over Nova Spirit } We managed to get a good spot to anchor and stern tie to the little island in the bay at the north west end of the Sound. Roger Paulsen and Pam McCall { Merlot } were not far behind. The water hit 75 degrees and the ladies seemed to always be in the water swimming. We feasted on oysters, crabs and prawns. Thank you Doug and Roger for shucking all the oysters.



A great time was had by all.

## **Pitt Lake Salmon Barbeque September 12**

Come and join in at the Red Brick Bay Pier on Sunday for the great Salmon Barbeque and pot luck dinner. Its the best pot luck you will ever experience. For those who require a ride, there will be boats that will pick you up at Grants Landing at 9 am Sunday morning. We must know in advance who will require rides, so call ken Moss @ 604-467-9159 or email [kamoss@shaw.ca](mailto:kamoss@shaw.ca) Ken will be out of town Aug. 14 to the 22nd.

Warning to those who are traveling up the Pitt River, speacially around Grants Landing, that there is very heavy boat traffic, so please use extra caution when traveling the river and narrows.



## SUMMER 2010 IN PICTURES





# *Captain's Gear*

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