THE PORT MOODY POWER & SAIL SOUADRON

Quarterdeck

VOLUME 8

FEBRUARY 2021

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMANDER

Hello everyone,

I hope everyone had a safe and exciting Christmas and New Years. Thank you, Mike Girard, for leading the Carol Ships this past year. Your time and effort to keep everyone safe and organized is mush appreciated. It was great to be able to get out and enjoy time on the water and see all the amazingly decorated boats. Everyone looked incredible. Well done!

As we start the New Year, we have many things planned and hopefully we get passed this tough time and get to enjoy life like we are all so accustom to. We have cruises tentatively planned for the coming season. So please make sure you book vour spot. Easter at Bowen Island is the next one. You can always cancel if we cannot go.

I see we have had a lot of chatter on the WhatsApp group in members asking for help on boating questions. That's great! Please do not hesitate to use all the experienced members we have in this group. I myself have learned so much Commander Steve Dewitt from everyone. The great thing about the squadron is that

there is always someone willing to give advise and info on most inquiries.

We are looking for volunteers to help on the new bridge this year. If you have the time and would like be a part of keeping this awesome group going please message

As we move forward to the coming boating season please be



mindful of the restrictions that have been set. We are all getting impatient and need to get out and play. Just do it safely and stay in your bubble. Be kind to those around you. We are all in the same boat.

Be safe out there everyone.

Your Commander Steve DeWitt

Inside this issue:

Carol Ships in Pictures & Videos	2
Upcoming Courses / Spring Tune Up	3
Upcoming Events	4
Our Bridge and Open Positions	5
Message from Membership Officer	6
Chocolate Covered Strawber- ry Mini Cheesecakes	7

What and who we are...

- The Port Moody Power & Sail Squadron always promotes safety first but members also like to have fun, and lots of it! (even during COVID-19)
- Do you have your own VHF? Do you know how to tell is a storm is coming in? Remember how to row a boat? Check out our virtual COVID safe Coursest
- What to adventure and be safe in small socially distanced numbers? This is the Squadron for you!

GET READY FOR WINTER AND SPRING WITH SOME **NEW SWAG!**

SALE!

Buy a hat and shirt combo for ON-LY \$35.00! (colours are black, white, tan and blue)

Wish to purchase other items?

We have flags and burgee's which range from \$30-\$40.

and a whole catalog of items to chose from and have our Port Moody Burgee sewn right in. It's easy, just 3 simple steps. The price you see in the catalogue is the price it actually is!

- Go to http:// www.stormtech.ca/ Pick the items you like.
- E-mail the items number, size & colour to Kirby at supplies@portmoodypss.com
- Kirby will place the order and let you know when your new swag is ready for delivery or pickup!



Santa's Christmas Ships in Pictures and Video

Live Stream HERE

This was a live stream of the December 13, 2020 cruise around Belcarra Bay, 100% worth the view.

Drone View HERE

A wonderful drone video of the ships by Rick White certainly worth the click!,

We thank all of the boating enthusiasts who continued the tradition of decorating their boats and bringing joy to the many spectators on the banks and piers of Dollarton, Deep Cove, Rocky Point & Boulder Isle, Bedwell Bay & Farrer Cove, along with Woodlands & Brighton Beach between Dec 4-19. The display included

fireworks and a visit from the one and only Santa (from a safe distance of course)! The turn out was wonderful and respectful of the COVID 19 restrictions, thank you everyone who got involved and put smiles on the faces of many children and adults during that very strange holiday season!





























Upcoming Courses!

WHAT: Restricted Operators Certificate Marine VHF

WHERE: Online Event

WHEN: Monday March 8, 2021, 7:00pm-10:00pm PST

REGISTRATION: Use <u>THIS LINK</u> select "BC" and the city "Port Moody" then scroll to desired course OR contact Michelle at <u>training@portmoodypss.com</u> or 604-250-5370 OR Lynn at <u>lmeisl@telus.net</u> or 604-219-4525.

Did you know it's unlawful to use a Maritime VHF radio without your ROC(M) certificate? Come get legal and learn the proper way to use your VHF radio. Learn all about the uses of marine radios, choice of frequencies, operation, phonetic alphabet, procedural words and phrases, as well as Digital Selective Calling and the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System, (DSC/GMDSS). All mariners, including recreational boaters, will want to take advantage of the many features and capabilities of this innovative form of "automatic" radio. Secure your lifeline - be sure that you and your family take the Maritime Radio course. This course is designed with a home study component followed by a 3-hour virtual instructor-led training. Upon registration, you will receive a manual. You must read the book thoroughly and memorize the Phonetic Alphabet. The complete package includes a CD and Digital Selective Calling which will prepare you for the Restricted Operated Certificate endorsement exam. To operate a Maritime Radio, you need the certificate. It is the law. The Maritime Radio course teaches emergency radio procedures as well as everyday operating techniques.

WHAT: Restricted Operators Certificate Marine VHF

WHERE: Online Event

WHEN: Monday April 12, 2021, 7:00pm-10:00pm PST

REGISTRATION: Use <u>THIS LINK</u> select "BC" and the city "Port Moody" then scroll to desired course OR contact Michelle at <u>training@portmoodypss.com</u> or 604-250-5370 OR Lynn at <u>lmeisl@telus.net</u> or 604-219-4525.

Did you know it's unlawful to use a Maritime VHF radio without your ROC(M) certificate? Come get legal and learn the proper way to use your VHF radio. Learn all about the uses of marine radios, choice of frequencies, operation, phonetic alphabet, procedural words and phrases, as well as Digital Selective Calling and the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System, (DSC/GMDSS). All mariners, including recreational boaters, will want to take advantage of the many features and capabilities of this innovative form of "automatic" radio. Secure your lifeline - be sure that you and your family take the Maritime Radio course. This course is designed with a home study component followed by a 3-hour virtual instructor-led training. Upon registration, you will receive a manual. You must read the book thoroughly and memorize the Phonetic Alphabet. The complete package includes a CD and Digital Selective Calling which will prepare you for the Restricted Operated Certificate endorsement exam. To operate a Maritime Radio, you need the certificate. It is the law. The Maritime Radio course teaches emergency radio procedures as well as everyday operating techniques.

Spring Start-up Checklist

FUEL SYSTEM o Inspect hoses, connections and tank surfaces for leaks or damage o Replace components as needed o Verify all fittings and clamps are properly secured o Ensure the engine, exhaust, and ventilation systems are functioning properly

BELTS, CABLES & HOSES o Check for cracks and brittle areas o Ensure belts fit tightly and are not worn o Inspect the outer jacket of control cables for cracks or swells, which may indicate a problem

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM o Inspect all electrical connections for cleanliness and tightness; corrosion may indicate an unsafe condition o Remove terminals and clean with a wire bush; clean cable ends o Change battery and ensure it can hold a charge o Electrical systems should be inspected by a qualified technician regularly

FLUID LEVELS o Check engine oil, power steering, power trim reservoirs and coolant levels o Change engine oil, oil filter and drive lubricants if these tasks were not done prior to winterizing

PROPELLERS & HULLS o Inspect propellers for dings, pitting, cracks and distortion o Make sure propeller is secured properly; replace bearings if needed o Check hull for blisters, distortions and cracks o Clean the hull, deck and topsides o Ensure the drain plug is securely in place prior to every launch

SAFETY GEAR o Inspect life jackets to ensure they are in good condition; make sure there is one for each potential passenger o Check that fire extinguishers are fully charged, properly stowed and are the correct class for your vessel o Take advantage of any safety inspections offered by the Canadian Coast Guard or your Port Moody Power & Sail Squadron

Quarterdeck Page 3



Schedule of Events

February 24-25 The Vancouver Boat Show RESCHEDULED AS A VIR-TUAL EVENT Connect with vendors and attend seminars online! Registration is FREE!

REGISTER HERE

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
	1	2	3	4	5	6		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
			<u>Th</u>	The Vancouver Boat Show				
28								

March 2021

March 8, 2021 Restricted
 Operators Certificate Marine
 VHF Course

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 VHF Course	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

We are hoping to schedule a Cruise up the Indian Arm and back, Easter at Bowen as well as some day cruises for April—Stay Tuned! We also hope to schedule a Drive Thru Used or Old Flare drop off for May 1, again, please stay tuned.

Page 4 Volume 8

Our Bridge and Open Positions... Volunteers Anyone?

Position	Name	
Commander	Steve DeWitt	
EXECUTIVE OFFICER	<u>OPEN</u>	
Education Officer	Michelle Warrington	
Admin Officer	Derek Noon	
Secretary	Shelley Herron	
Financial Officer	Sheri Girrard	
Membership Officer	Jenn Doerksen	
PRO Officer	Jenn Doerksen	
Past Commander	Tom K	
Webmaster	Cynthia Oldman	
Socials Officer	Michelle Warrington	
Editor	Emily Evans	
Cruisemaster	Chris Warrington	
Supplies officer	Kirby Knittle	
Communication Officer	Jenn Doerksen	
Financial reviewer	Lorraine Yigit	
ASST ED OFFICER	<u>OPEN</u>	
Asst Ed Officer	Wayne O'Neill	
Enviroment Officer	Chris Gordan	
PORT CAPTAIN	<u>OPEN</u>	
Historian	Julie Bruce	
VOLUNTEER OFFICER	<u>OPEN</u>	
Member at large	Cathy Luder	
Member at large	Rod Bourke	
Member at large	Chris Reyburn	
Member at large	Jennifer Reyburn	

We do have some openings within the Bridge and are always looking for dedicated and fun new Volunteers to work with the existing Bridge. If you are interested or know someone you would like us to approach that you think would be a great fit, please do not hesitate to reach out to Steve DeWitt or Jenn Doerksen or any of us really and let us know!

Virtual AGM April 20, 2021

This year again will be a virtual AGM and everyone is invited and encouraged to join us! More details to come, stay tuned



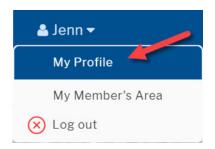
Hello PMPSS Members!

I hope you all had a safe and happy holiday season, despite this strange year we're having. As you may be aware, CPS has a new IT system, and as a member, you can access this system by logging in here: https://www.cps-ecp.ca/. If you would like to check your account, please log in using your email address and password. If you're not sure which email is associated with your account, please reach out to me at membership@portmoodypss.com.

Once you're logged in, please click on your name and select "My Profile".

Edit My Profile: This is where you can edit your password, address, phone number, and your membership preferences.

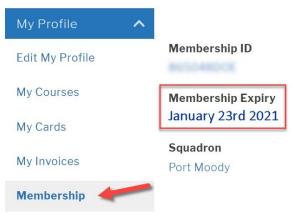
My Courses: This lists all the CPS courses you have successfully completed.



My Cards: This lists your cards such as your membership card, PCOC, and VHF radio cards and the dates you received them.

My Invoices: This lists all the payments you have made to CPS, including membership renewals and courses.

My Membership: This shows your membership ID, your membership expiry date and all family members associated with your account.



Could you please login and go to My Profile, and then Membership and check your Membership Expiry? If your membership has already expired or is expiring soon, could you please renew it?

If you need help with that, you can reach out to me at <u>member-ship@portmoodypss.com</u>. I'll also be following up with everyone, so if you can login and check your account, that would be very helpful.



Page 6 Volume 8

WHERE TO FIND US!!

HAVE A STORY?



Have a Story? An amazing adventure? funny fail? announcement? article idea? photos?

Please don't be shy, send anything and everything over to me, your...

Editor Officer, Emily Evans

editor@portmoodypss.com



CHOCOLATE COVERED STRAWBERRY MINI CHEESECAKES

Prep Time: 20 minutes Cook Time: 28 minutes

Total Time: 3 hours, 15 minutes Yield: 12-15 mini cheesecakes

INGREDIENTS:

For the Crust:

- 1 c. graham cracker crumbs
- 4 TB unsalted butter, melted
- 1/4 c. granulated sugar
- pinch of salt

For the Filling:

- 16 oz. cream cheese, room temperature
- 2 eggs, whites and yolks separated at room temperature
- 3/4 c. granulated sugar
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- dash of granulated sugar

Hard shell topping

- 10 oz. chocolate melting wafers
- 12 15 strawberries

Tools:

- Cupcake liners
- hand mixer or stand mixer
- 12 or 24 cup muffin tin

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375°F.
- In a small bowl, combine the graham cracker crumbs, sugar, salt and melted butter. Place cupcake liners in a 12 cup muffin tin and begin dropping rounded Tablespoons of the graham cracker mixture into each liner. Press the crumbs into the bottom of the liner lightly, creating a crust. There may be some crumbs left over.
- 3. Pre-bake for 8 minutes, then remove from the oven and reduce temperature to 350°F.
- 4. In a large bowl or the bowl of a stand mixer, beat together the cream cheese, granulated sugar, salt and vanilla extract until fully combined and creamy. Beat in the egg yolks one at a time.
- In a small bowl using a whisk or hand mixer, beat the egg whites until frothy and doubled in size.
- 6. Gently fold the eggs whites into the cream cheese, mixing to a smooth yet thin consistency, then divide among the 12 muffin liners until the cups are almost full. You may have a little bit of leftover mixture, which you can use with the extra graham cracker crumbs to make a bakers dozen or discard.
- 7. Bake for 20 minutes. Let rest at room temperature for 20 minutes until the filling returns to its normal shape. Don't worry about cracks in the surface, as you'll be covering them with chocolate.

Chill for a minimum of 2 hours before topping.

HARD SHELL TOPPING

- Using a double boiler, gently melt your chocolate, stirring occasionally to combine. (Alternatively, microwave in 30 second intervals, stirring each time)
- 2. At this point, you can keep the cheesecakes in their liners or choose to remove them to get results like the picture above.

With a regular kitchen spoon, pour chocolate on top of the cheesecakes making sure to coat the entire surface. (Gently press melted chocolate over the edges to get the dripping effect above) Wait until the chocolate on the cheesecakes harden before dipping the strawberries in the bowl of melted chocolate and resting on top of each cheesecake. Keep chilled until ready to serve.

Quarterdeck Page 7