

Minutes of Bridge Meeting
Fredericton NB, Nov 21, 2007-11-27

- 3.1 Location/Time: 111 Marlborough Drive, Fred'n , 1900 Hrs.
- 3.2 Opening: Commander Ouellette welcomes Bridge Members and introduces two new members, Dino Kubic as Environment officer and Adam Baker as Web-Master
- 3.3 Attendees: Ginette Ouellette, Rik Hall, Adam Baker, John van Abbema, Dino Kubic, Janice Haig, Don Grant and Derek Tellenbach
- 3.4 Approval of Agenda: Moved by Rik Hall, seconded by Don Grant. No additional material. Accepted
- 3.5 Bridge Minutes, Oct 16, 2007. Correction to 2.7.7 to reflect the proper name of the Christmas Party venue, Motion to accept by Don Grant, seconded by Dino Kubik. Accepted.
- 3.6 Business arising from the minutes. Commander Ouellette chaired a short discussion on the topics raised at the last meeting. She updated us on CPS AGM, which she attended in Ottawa. There will be no name change of the organization for the moment. Brian Leger was awarded the ICOM award, a VHS IC-M604 marine radio, for the Atlantic Region. John to write article for February Binnacle; Ginette to get photo.
- 3.7 Verbal reports
 - 3.7.1 The past commander gave an introduction to the new web-master and the duties and responsibilities he will cover.
 - 3.7.2 Training officer. Absent

3.7.3 Treasurer. – Derek provided a detailed written summary of the squadron’s financial situation at this time. He has devised a format that will break down costs and income for each course and event. A discussion on income flow on the budget followed, and it appears there will be a significant shortfall by year’s end. Motion to accept the report by Derek Tellenback, seconded by Don Grant. Accepted. Everyone liked the new reporting format.

3.7.4 Secretary. - John reported no new correspondence. Suggested he would try to develop an ‘Action List’ to go along with the minutes to remind Bridge members of actions to be taken by each as determined in these meetings.

3.7.5 Environment officer. Dino provided an article for the latest ‘Binnacle’ and is looking for ways and means to promote “Best Management Practises” for boaters, i.e. Stickers/Binnacle/courses/ web page

3.7.6 MAREP officer. Absent

3.7.7 Memberships officer. Don reported the addition of two new associate memberships. “National office wants a list of postal codes of current and past members to assist in defining our Squadron’s service area. Don will send a list to the Commander for review.

3.7.8 Publications officer. Janice thanked everyone for their input to the last “Binnacle”. She was pleased to get such interesting articles and requests more, lots of them for the next issue. Deadlines for submissions:

Febr. edition – articles to be in by Jan 30

May edition - articles to be in by April 18

3.7.9 Social officer. In the absence of the Social Officer, Ginette gave an update on the event planning for the Christmas party. In view of our financial situation, it was agreed that the expenses be limited to \$1,000. Ginette will review the food budget with the caterers and the gift purchases with Danielle. Ginette also requested that Don and Wayne set up a registration/information table for guests to promote CPS and our courses.

John suggested we re-consider the gift giving aspect of the party and to change the focus from one of receiving gifts to one of giving gifts to a needy charity. To be considered for next year.

Ginette and Danielle to inform Bridge members of any additional purchases to be made. John agreed to introduce the guest speaker.

3.7.10 Web-Master. Adam is learning the job and wants to work with Bridge members to provide a quality and timely product.

3.8 Additional Items

3.8.1 Name tags. Rik is arranging for Bridge members and instructors to get name tags at a cost of \$4. each.

3.8.2 Merit Marks. David Nickerson will help with list which is to be in National Office by Jan 31, 2008.

3.8.3 Longevity pins. For people with more than 20 merit marks. None this year.

3.8.4 Retirements. Commander Ouellette would appreciate

being informed early on of any planned retirements from the Bridge.

3.8.5 Discussion of attendance and venues for social events. ie. Summer BBQ, Summer cruise, cooking on board. Bridge members are urged to think of activities that could generate more income

3.8.6 Up-coming meetings and events:

January 7 Winter course Registration
Febr 5 Bridge Meeting – Planning
March 11 Bridge Meeting – Budgeting
April 11 & 12 District meeting – Moncton
May 13 Bridge meeting nominations re. AGM
May 29 AGM

3.8.7 Don Grant requests old Squadron Photos for the 40th anniversary national AGM, Windsor Ontario

3.9 Motion to adjourn by Janice Haig. Accepted

ACTION PLAN

John – Write article re ICOM award for Binnacle. Ginette to get Photo of presentation.
--Prepare “Action List “ for Bridge members.

Don – Co-ordinate list of postal codes of members with Commander for CPS
Collect old Squadron photos for 40th annual meeting,

Wayne & Don –Set up information table at Christmas party.

Ginette & Danielle –Review plans for Christmas party.

Rik – Arrange for name tags for Bridge and instructors for Christmas party.

David N – Review, prepare and send Merit Mark list to CPS by Jan. 31 2008.

