



**Minutes of Bridge Meeting
Devon Middle School 1900h
October 11, 2005**

Present:

Dave Nickerson, Ginette Ouellette, Derek Tellenbach, Rama Gupta-Rogers, Wayne Redstone, Don Grant, Mohamed El-Bayoumi, Janice Haig, John Van Abbema.

Regrets: Dave Gamblin, David Estey, Rik Hall

1. Approval of Minutes June 21, 2005

The Bridge Meeting was called to order by Commander Dave Nickerson at 1910h. A motion to accept the Minutes of September 13, 2005 was made by Ginette Ouellette, seconded by Wayne Redstone, and carried.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

The following were matters from the minutes.

- John Van Abbema asked if there were any questions reference his financial report. There were none.
- Wayne and Suzanne Eddy have agreed to be the guest speakers at the Christmas Party.
- Special thanks to Don Grant for adding the personal touch with the letter that outlined the courses that have been taken by each member that was sent out with the Binnacle.
- PR Office – Ad in the Daily Gleaner Sept. 29, 30 and Oct 1. to advertise registration time and place of the various courses offered this fall.
- In the September 13, minutes the Christmas Party was referred to as Christmas Dinner. It is not a dinner, finger foods only with Cash bar.

- Let Janice know of any errors or typos in the last Binnacle so she can fix them for the next issue.

3. Additions to the Agenda

The Share program (advertising) make sure that John gets a copy of all advertising that we do. He'll need to send it to national to get the rebate.

CPS-Fredericton Web site.

4. Officers Reports

Commander's Report If the officers of the bridge could write a small report outlining areas of concern since last April (including Graduation, AGM, copies of Binnacle) so David can report the squadron activities for the last half of the year at the District meeting.

Executive Officer Mohamed gave his verbal report including that he has confirmed with the guest speaker for the Christmas Party will be Wayne and Suzanne Eddy. They built a sail boat in there back yard and sailed it to Cuba. Mohamed will do the preamble before the speaker at the Christmas party. Mohamed will find out from the Eddy's what equipment they require for their presentation.

Public Relations Officer Mohamed gave his verbal report, other than the advertising he stated that this role as Public Relations Officer is slowing down, getting prepared for someone to take over. We will be advertising this position on our web site and in the next Binnacle.

Nauti Pro Officer Ginette gave her verbal report, stating she has nothing new to report on the French Boat Pro. She did state that she helping with the Christmas Party with Rama.

Membership Officer Don gave his verbal report stating that the membership just went up by three to 210.

Publications Officer Janice gave her verbal report about the Binnacle. Don did an excellent job in preparing the opening letter that went out with the Binnacle with the personal touch having the courses highlighted that everyone has taken. The cut off date for the next Binnacle is November 11, 2005. Please submit your ideas, including big section on the Christmas Party, excerpts from the cruising companion, book reviews, and summer cruise.

Social Officer Rama gave her verbal report, with the following important events that happened in the past year.

- April 21, 2005 – Cooking aboard
- May 5, 2005 - Instructors / Bridge Appreciation Dinner
- June 2, 2005 – Graduation and AGM
- July 1-3 2005 – Summer Cruise
- Aug 27, 2005 – Corn Boil

Christmas Party Rama stated that she and Ginette had most details worked out.

- Location Ecole Sainte Anne December 1, 2005 1845h
- Monte Peters will be asked do the opening prayer.
- Finger foods, cash bar, cake, we may be able to put nuts and chips and decorate the tables. 1915h
- Guest speaker Wayne and Suzanne Eddy 1930h
- Program will be created
- Display set up with the list of courses offered.
- We have to locate the guest book.
- Gift exchange Ginette will pick up the items, any suggestions please email her.
- Dave Nickerson will hang around the guest book welcoming people in and when they exit.
- Name tags will be prepared

On Motion by Ginette it was decided that we purchase a gift and pay for travel for the guest speaker approximately \$100.00 seconded by Wayne and carried.

On Motion by Don in case of adverse conditions the bridge would fund one night hotel room for the guest speakers at the Christmas Party seconded by Ginette and carried.

Treasurer’s Report – John submitted the Budget and actual report dated October 11, 2005. John mentioned that the Income was down a bit and that the expenses are planned to be down also, offsetting the income.

On Motion by John to approve the Financial Statements seconded by Ginette and carried.

Training Report Wayne Redstone discussed low registration for all the courses this fall and winter. The following list shows the number of students signed up in the following courses.

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| • Boating Fall | 3 |
| • Boating Winter | 3 |
| • Piloting with Electronic Navigation | 7 |
| • Advance Piloting | 1 |
| • Extended Cruising | 4 |

On the bright side the Oromocto Fire Department is scheduled for 50 students in the Marine Radio Course in November. Wayne is looking for some extra boating books to hand out in this course package.

Commander's Report – David Nickerson submitted his verbal report.

- Gave Rik Hall the authority to use the 20 votes on behalf of the Fredericton Power and Sail Squadron at the National meeting.
- Youth Sailing School we are in contact with Mr. Frank Camm on how to handle the “Golden Handshake” and how to organize the signage to be put on. Janice will contact Mr. Camm and get the proper signage installed on the vessel.
- Rik has been appointed chair of the Digital Library
- New Web page for the squadron was shown to the members present. Various comments were made, take a look at your section and forward any changes typos and or suggestions to Rik. If any member has a web site that they would like on our web we can add that to our site. Rik will incorporate as many ideas into the new site as he can.
- District meeting November 4 & 5 new guidelines for the attendance of delegates being sent to the District meeting.

On motion of Ginette we send 2 delegates to the District meetings, the Commander and the Executive Officer. We will cover the cost of the conference and other expenses will be covered as per our Travel policy. Seconded by Janice and carried

On motion of Don anyone else that may wish to attend the District meetings, the conference fee/lunch will be covered. Seconded by Rama and carried.

- Questions to Investigate: There were 6-7 questions and issues that were brought up by the members. The commander asked the bridge members to think about these questions and to table them for the next meeting.
- Promo the National CPS newsletter can be downloaded from the National web site.

5. Next Bridge Meeting – Tuesday, November 8, 2005

6. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ginette Ouellette at 2120h.

Minutes Recorded by Derek Tellenbach
Secretary