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VYC 2011 — 2012 Executive

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VERNON YACHT CLUB

April 2012

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Mike Thomas



Happy Spring time everyone.

less enjoyable venue for ourselves and our friends to enjoy, as well as lower ticket sales for the events which generate income for our Club.

This month, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our small group of volunteer members as well as the paid employees we have at our Club. These great people are responsible for many of the operations and enhancements for which our membership is the beneficiary and I thank them for all the time and effort they contribute to our club. It may not be common knowledge, but our Club is a "not for profit society". However I prefer to think of us as one big family and as such we depend on each other for the benefit of the whole. We are not a business and do not need to make a profit but the operation of our Club does have a certain overhead [read expense] which means that we must **all** contribute in some way for the benefit of the common good. Otherwise your moorage costs will increase, our improvements in the Club will be scaled back and this in turn will result in a

The day to day operation of our Club can sometimes produce some unexpected expenses. For example, last year we had to repair our roof at a cost of \$12,000.00. Early this year, our kitchen was inspected by Interior Health which was partly responsible for the purchase of two new gas ranges, a new refrigerator, a new stainless steel sink, a new stainless steel meal prep. table, a new hand wash sink and a new floor covering. Then of course there are our anticipated major projects such as the lovely new concrete replacement for the wooden B dock. This major improvement made it necessary to increase our Credit Union Loan which now stands at \$723,000.00.

The Tiller Topics publication you are reading is produced by a dedicated group of people who contribute their own time and effort to create this valuable publication. These

wonderful people are **unpaid** volunteers and yet they give us this informative and entertaining publication every month. We can help them with their task by contributing some edifying information and articles which make this work of love even more of a "read".

Finally, but just as importantly, I want to thank the members of our Executive who are also an unpaid body of volunteers, most of whom have full time jobs and whose only wish is to benefit the Club with their selfless contribution of time, effort, and professional expertise.

In closing, I want to make the request that when we ask for Volunteers, please step forward; when we ask for your input, please tell us; if there is something which displeases you, please let us know. We are not here for personal gain, but to serve our members and all our efforts are dedicated to the enjoyment and betterment of our Club.

See you at Clean-up on April 28th.

Sincerely,

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

Ed Kinnear



I don't have much of a report this month but I would like to put in a request. But first a little background info.

Twice a year, since I became a member of the VYC we would try to make time to come to the spring or fall cleanups. Sometimes I knew what it was I would be doing as I had been called in advance. But most years I would arrive to find a

group of people already at work and a list of jobs in the clubhouse. I would just begin working through the list as best I could or I would pair up with someone that needed a hand. The projects did not require any special skills and were mostly pretty easy to accomplish. We were usually done by noon by which time there was some lunch served and a couple of tickets that could be redeemed for refreshments.

So my request is for you, the members, to send me anything that has been bothering you, in the way of maintenance that has been neglected. A loose board, some faded paint, a forgotten pile of debris or

anything else that has been bugging you is worth knowing about.

This clean-up is scheduled in advance of the Annual Boat Show so it is a great to have the VYC looking its best.

If you have suggestions I can be reached at ed_deb@shaw.ca or you could leave a note at the office attention Ed Kinnear.

Maybe we will even see you at the clean up on April 28th.

Take care,

Ed

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

Lawrence Johnson



Spring is nearly here and we have a busy season ahead of us. As most of you know we have already completed a good chunk of the renovations on

the kitchen at the Club. Our new executive has been busy and working hard to keep things running smoothly for the coming season.

The spring clean up will take place on April 28th and I encourage all of you who are able to come down and lend a hand. We had an incredible turn out for spring clean up last

year and I am hoping for a repeat performance. Thanks again to all of you who volunteer your time to help out where you can.

Best Regards,

Lawrence

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Jerry Spelchan



Hello everyone, it is shaping up to be a great spring for boating...and I look forward to seeing you all at the Club this year.

Most of the slips have been assigned as of the end of March and I believe we were able to accommodate everyone on the move list and wait list.

You will be getting notices of your slip assignments in the mail if you haven't already received them.

I would like to remind all members utilizing the parking lot for winter storage that **the dead line for moving your boats is April 15th**.

Please take note that **crane day** has been booked by Bill Crum for **April 14th**.

Also take note that those using winter storage slips in the marina, should be moved to their regular slip by end of March. This is very important as **the parking lot has to be cleaned and empty before May 6th**.

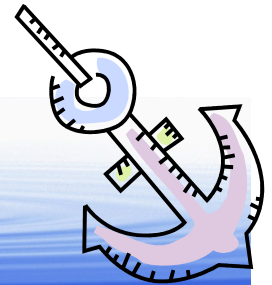
If possible to move your boats earlier, would be appreciated, especially if in the front row.

I would ask all members that have slips close to the gate to hold off launching their boats till after the "Boat Show", May 7th.

Any members with concerns or questions, please feel free to call me at 250-549-0051.

Hope all members have an enjoyable boating season,

your Fleet Commander,
Jerry Spelchan





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Minutes Summary

By Marlise Hutter

March 12, 2012

- Bob Montguire sent a letter to Jerry Spelchan requesting moorage for the Coast Guard Auxiliary boat. The Auxiliary Coast guard will provide a PFD Loaner station.
- Crane Day is April 14th
- Clean Up day is April 28th
- Kitchen renovations are not complete yet.
- The gas fireplace has stopped working. The gas will be turned off and capped.
- A 40 inch Samsung Television was donated to the Club by Okanagan Restoration. It has been installed in the games room down stairs.
- The sea cadets would like to volunteer for the spring clean- up. Allen will make arrangements. This will help the cadets build a relationship with the Yacht Club.
- We presently have 1- 34 foot, 4-28 foot and 7-24 foot empty slips.
- Three new full members and one associate member have been approved.
- According to part 14 and section 74 of our by-laws, new member applications must be approved by the Board.
- Everything seems to be moving ahead on the Boat Show and the regatta.
- The club has committed to only using Okanagan Spring Brewery for the Boat Show.
- Next meeting date will be Tuesday April 10th as the second Monday in April is Easter Monday.

Full executive meeting minutes are available in the office.

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Funny Corner

Letter to a men's helpline...

Hi Bob,

I really need your advice on a serious problem: I have suspected for some time now that my wife has been cheating on me. The usual signs: if the phone rings and I answer, the caller hangs up; she goes out with the girls a lot. I try to stay awake to look out for her when she comes home but I usually fall asleep. Anyway last night about midnight I hid in the shed behind the boat. When she came home she got out of someone's car buttoning her blouse, then she took her panties out of her purse and slipped them on. It was at that moment crouched behind the boat that I noticed a hairline crack in the outboard engine mounting bracket. Is that something I can weld or do I need to replace the whole bracket?



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Messing About in Boats

by
Dave Atkins

It must be spring time, as I write this I am looking forward to changing all the clocks in the house to advance one hour, and don't forget the cars!!! We are seeing other signs of spring as well. The ads are appearing on TV for a new crop of power boats. They are depicted crewed by scantily clad young men and women, and not a single PFD in sight. They travel at high speed and go in all directions around the lake. Looks like fun, summer is coming we should get one of those and have FUN or clean off the one stored in the garage for the winter.

For many years now I have taught boating courses for Canadian Power and Sail Squadron and it seems to me that the message of safe boating we teach to people who commit their time for about 12 evenings on a weekly basis is fighting a losing battle against the propaganda of the marketing machines of the boat manufacturers. Safety is a hard sell against the prospect of 'Fun in the Sun' and freedom to go where you want at any speed.

I rarely see ads for sailboats, if they do appear it is usually as a diving platform in the clear waters of some tropical retreat. The message in these ads is of course to have FUN and there is no mention of responsibility or safety or consideration for others. Can boating be that easy? The basic course for the Power Squadron takes about 35 hours



of instruction by experienced boaters!! There are more courses to follow for navigation and other aspects of boating. The CYA basic "Cruise and Learn" course involves an instructor and 3 or 4 students on a sailboat for 5 days practicing their skills all day long.

The Government made a gesture toward boating safety about ten years ago when they introduced the PCOC, an attempt to get a minimum amount

of safety information to those who operate powerboats of all kinds. The scheme has largely failed because the Government wasn't prepared to invest the money required to administer the system. They farmed it out to the private sector, many of whom just looked at it as a way of making some money and there was no accountability to maintain standards. Hence the many 'Pay if you Pass' operations.

In this society we are bombarded by propaganda on the television every day, many of the messages are there to sell products and very few are there to help improve the quality of life for the population. Running a boat, especially one with a great deal of horsepower is a big responsibility, the faster you go the more dangerous you are, but also the greater the thrill. We need to learn to balance the two and that takes effort and knowledge.

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CHECK THIS OUT

Cruisin Sailing Club Adventures In Sailing

We are going to be doing some research and development of a new business model for boat share in various locations. We are looking for yacht

club members that would be willing to participate in this experimental program and give good honest comments on the experience.

We are offering a unique alternative to chartering a sailboat in some of the best sailing areas in the world. Our club will be sailing in the waters of Mexico for the next few seasons with opportunities for sailing in other popular cruising locations. These cruising adventures will give anyone who is dreaming of setting sail for the cruising lifestyle a good first hand look at the experience for a fraction of the cost. We offer cruising tips as well as hands on experience to whatever level you would like. The cost will be less than renting a small 1-2 star hotel room. The club is ideally suited for couples, but can accommodate same sex friends as well. Please contact us for the full details and itinerary. Join the cruisincanucks on our Mexican adventure!! Contact: cruisincanucks@yahoo.ca call 760-459-2959.

At VYC 2 GAS RANGES

They both work, however they look pretty rough so we would just like to find a home for them.

No charge.

For Sale

MacGregor 26M, 2007

Very well maintained, many many extras. This boat is set up for cruising with: eg., halyards aft to cockpit, sun shade, 2 batteries, pump out toilet, roller furling, swim grid, etc

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April 14th Pot Luck Dinner for

MacGregor Owners



A pot luck dinner is planned for owners of MacGregor sailboats on **April 14, 2012**. Let's talk 'MacGregor' and get to know each other better.

Time: 6 pm

Location: 45 Lambert Place, Coldstream.
Call Doug or Frances Warner
at **778-475-2255** or
email dougbwarner@mac.com



WANTED VOLUNTEERS

Vernon is now the Okanagan base for the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary - Pacific. We promote safe boating in three areas: 1) We do safety patrols on the lake. 2) We do boat checks on land. 3) We have a program to teach boating safety in schools.

The CCGA-P is not an enforcement unit. Our mandate is to promote safety for boaters. To do this we require more volunteers. If you are interested in joining phone Bob Montguire at 250-308-7879.

Thank you
Bob Montguire (Unit Leader)

2012 Membership cards

Vernon Yacht Club 2012 Membership cards are available for pick up at the Gang Plank Bar during regular bar hours.

Regards
Marnie



For that special evening.

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Malibu Two XL sit-on-top kayak for sale

in orange color. Awesome condition! Includes 2 collapsible "Aqua-Bound" lightweight paddles (2 lengths, one long, one shorter), scupper plugs, roof racks, one padded high-back seat, one regular seat. All elastic tie-downs are in perfect condition. This kayak also has paddle-keepers.

Almost no sun bleaching, as it is not stored outside. GREAT for exploring the Okanagan Lakes and the coastline in Vancouver! \$900

Call Glenn 250-308-2088

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Call Glenn 250-308-2088





Sailing Fleet News

by Bob McDonell

Crane Day, April 14th! Road restrictions will-ing...but this is about the usual time of year, so finish up the work on the underwater part of your boat and be ready.

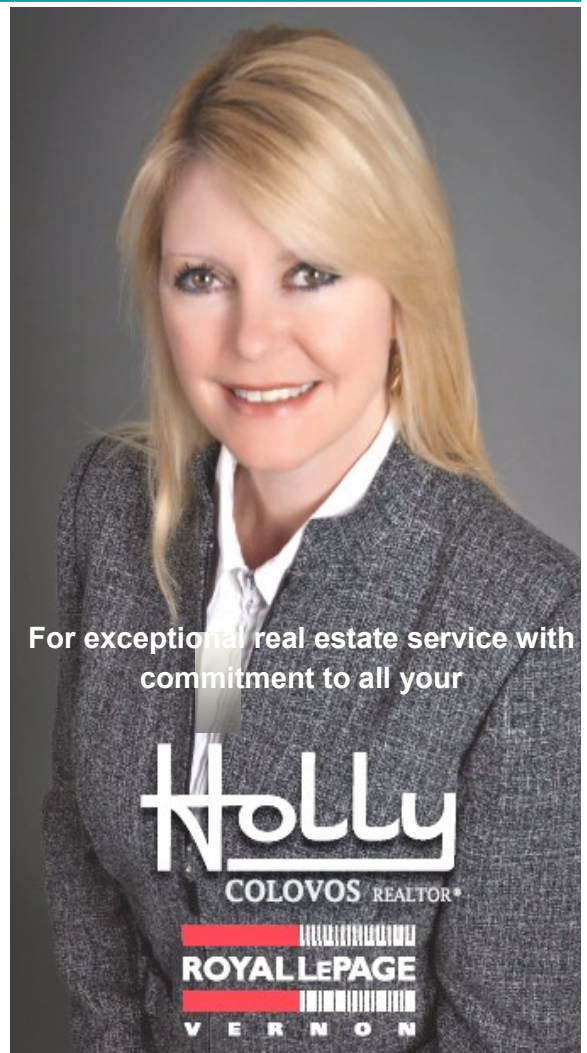
The sailing fleet evening seminars will have ended by now but we will see if there is interest in the mentoring program for anyone interested in racing, as well as some on the water clinics as the days lengthen. Is there any interest in a rig tuning session for your boats in April, soon after crane day? If so, contact me and if there is enough interest, we will try to set this up.

We will send out an e-mail broadcast anytime as well as

newsletter information for any further events in May.

I will be sending out the Spring racing schedule along with committee boat assignments shortly. With the days lengthening, we may start right out with Wednesday evening races. Daylight may still be slim however so a couple of Sundays to start with may be best. Again, this will come by e-mail broadcast shortly. Make sure your crew is up to date as we do not have contacts for anyone not listed as a skipper yet.

Bob McDonell,
Sailing Fleet Chair



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ANNUAL BOAT & LEISURE SHOW May 5th & 6th, 2012

Greetings fellow VYC'ers.

The countdown to our 23rd annual Boat Show is on. We launch May 5th at 10am into the biggest public event your club hosts each year. The radio ads are planned, thanks to Craig Williams. The shuttle vans are organized, thanks to your enthusiastic members Bob and Jeanette Newman. Food service coordination is well underway, thanks to Betty Labelle your Staff Captain. The beer has been ordered, thanks to Rick Reichelt and all is coming together nicely with the assistance of MJ Watson. The VYC tent is underway, thanks to Shelagh McCarvill and Security is scheduled, thanks to Ron Heuman and our able security staff. Also, big thanks to Dan Irvine who is coaching us with his years of experience.

Awww man, you're onto me aren't you.

Yup, that's right. I'd like to add your name to the list of people I'm thanking for helping out at this important and FUN event. Deep inside each of us there is a volunteer just waiting to bust out and participate and this is to tell you how easy it will be. Temporary weekend careers are available in the transportation sector, get in touch with your inner bus driver by emailing Jeanette or

Bob Newman at rgjmnewman@gmail.com

The garment industry, and too many other exciting things to mention here are headquartered in the VYC tent. Help out here at the hub of boat show activity by emailing shelagh@telus.net if you have a few hours to spare helping your club.

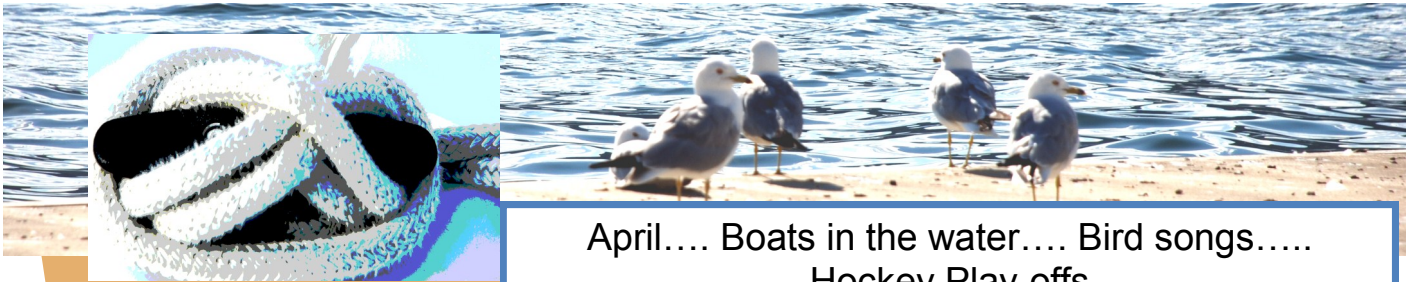
OK I've saved the best for last. The most fun you can have at a yacht club without actually getting on your boat. I'm talking of course about the table carrying, tent erecting, flagpole raising, garbage and recycling can placing, flag hanging, site set up, maintenance and tear down crew. I know it's exciting and once started you'll never want it to end. But sadly it does. In only a few hours on Friday and about one hour on Sunday VYC undergoes a transformation process that will boggle your mind. To be a part the magic email me at utmckenz@gmail.com

We all look forward to hearing from you. Thanks to everyone who has contacted one of us so far. Watch for future update emails as we get closer to the SHOW.

Thanks to all, see you at the show- Psst don't forget to tell a friend.

Tom





April.... Boats in the water.... Bird songs.....
Hockey Play-offs

By Ron Heuman

Spring must be here given the increased activity at our Yacht Club. It has been a real pleasure reviewing the moorage slip assignments and sorting out the marina boat placement jig-saw puzzle. To date the Fleet Captain's Moorage Committee seems to have it all sorted out. April will see the marina filling in as members get boating excited with the warmer weather. A fun day is

always "Crane Day" on April 14th. If you have not witnessed this eventful Club happening come on down, have a coffee and enjoy the sailors activity from the deck.

April is also the month where we welcome the early morning with the cheerful sound of bird calls. The robins, flickers nut-hatches, doves; it puts us all in a happy spirit. Even

our Canada Geese are graceful to view, but watch your step. Notably, a pair of geese have been spotted in the Osprey nest. We shall see what happens when these two large bird families vie for nesting rights.


So, with all this activity our Club security intensifies. Your Club Volunteer Member Security Team is up to the challenge. We have effectively moved into summer posture, meaning later shifts as Club social events become more active. One benefit is we get to enjoy the marina awakening to the rising sun and cheerful bird songs. And, now is also the time for members at large to become more aware of people activity while at the Club. Alas, warmer weather also invites bad guys to intrude at the VYC... Now is the time to start to be more vigilant!!

Lastly, April starts the second NHL hockey season, more player intensity, better hockey and lonely hockey widows, well it is not a perfect world, but almost!! Be cheerful the playoffs end in June!

Finally, be Security Vigilant, you and your property will appreciate it!!



Ron



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the summer attire

or

accessories for you

and your boat!



It's not quite tank top weather so you may want to pick up a sweater like this...

Or



before you head up to the Gangplank

for a



Bevy!

Now you can sit on the deck and enjoy an afternoon....

.....don't forget to check out the



too, yer gonna need them!

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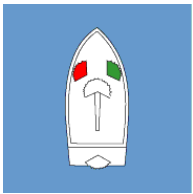
Vernon Power & Sail Squadron

April, 2012



Didja' know ...

Use only the proper navigation lights when underway at night. Those 'headlights' are for finding your mooring or for an emergency situation,



Coming Events:

- VHF Radio Course - April, 18 & 21, 2012
- Vernon Squadron AGM and Pizza Nite on Monday, April 16, 2012 from 6:00 pm

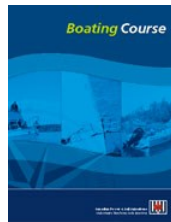
Your Lifejacket ...



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CPS Course Lineup



The Boating Course This is consistently our most popular course. The Boating Course will be offered in late February, 2012. Course duration is 13 weeks. Covers all major aspects of boat handling, and introductory navigation. For more information or to pre-register, go on-line or phone Simo at 250-542-5525.



The Maritime Radio Course

The course leads to the VHF Marine Radio operators certification, the ROC(M), which is legally required to operate a VHF Radio on the water. The course is being presented Tuesday, April 18 & Saturday, April 21, 2012. Register on-line, or call Doug at 250-549-5117.

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See Us on the Web!

Want to find out more about the Power Squadron and its courses? Check us out on our web-sites:

Vernon Power & Sail Squadron www.cpsvernon.ca
Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons www.cpsboat.ca

Saving Boaters' Lives Since 1938

2012 Calendar of Events

for

Okanagan Lake Yacht Clubs

DATE	YC	EVENT
APRIL		
14	WKYC	Newcomer's Party
14	SYC	Lift In/Spring Fling
28	VYC	Spring Clean
28	WKYC	Spring Clean
28 & 29	KYC	Kelowna Boat Show
28	SYC	Member's Wine & Cheese
MAY		
3	WKYC	Anchor Club Volunteer Meals (Every Thursday)
5 & 6	VYC	Boat Show
10	SYC	Sail Fleet "Race Night" Starts (Every Thursday)
13	SYC	Sunday "Steak & Rib" Night starts (Every Sunday)
18-21	KYC	Sailor's Cannacord Cup
26	WKYC	50 th Anniversary Banquet
26	VYC	Rib Off
JUNE		
1-3	VYC	United Way Regatta
9 & 10	KYC	Kelowna Commodore's Ball & Sail Past
16 & 17	WKYC	Commodore's Ball & Sail Past
16	KYC	Kelowna Boats for Hope
22	WKYC	Lobster Night
23	VYC	Commodore's Ball
24	VYC	Sail Past
30	SYC	Dock Party
30	WKYC	Open House – BBQ, Cardboard Race – Westside Daze kickoff

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Cont. 2012 Calendar of Events

DATE	YC	EVENT
JULY		
1	KYC	Canada Day Celebrations
7	SYC	Commodore's Ball
8	SYC	Sail Past
13-15	SYC	Giant's Head Regatta "Agar Lake Camp Charity"
14 & 15	WKYC	Invasion Weekend
21 & 22	VYC	Invasion Weekend
28 & 29	SYC	2012 Woman's Okanagan Regatta
AUGUST		
3-5	SYC	Invasion Weekend – Ball Tournament
11	WKYC	Ribn'n Blues
17-19	KYC	Invasion Weekend
SEPTEMBER		
8	WKYC	Golf Tournament
8	VYC	Pig Roast
14-16	SYC	All Club End to End Regatta
22	KYC	Kelowna Blind Fishing Derby
29	SYC	Sunday – "Steak & Rib Night" Ends
OCTOBER		
7	SYC	Sail Fleet "Race Night" Ends
13	SYC	Lift Out
27	SYC	Halloween Party
27	VYC	Halloween Party
NOVEMBER		
3	KYC	Kelowna Sailor's Pot Luck
11	KYC	Remembrance Day Festivities
13	SYC	AGM
14	WKYC	AGM
25	SYC	Grey Cup Party
25	WKYC	Grey Cup Party
26	VYC	AGM

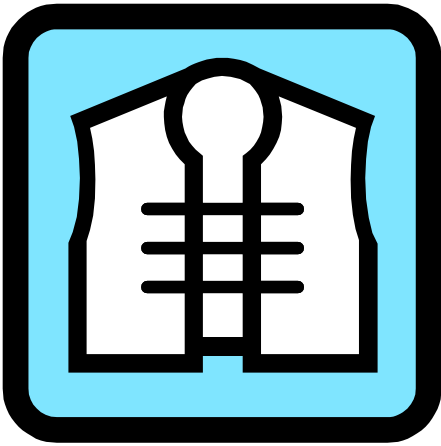
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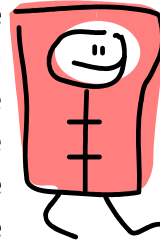
About Lifejackets

Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) or lifejackets come in many shapes, colours and materials. Some are made rugged to last longer, while others are made to maintain body heat in cold water. No matter which one you choose, make sure there is one that is the right size for each passenger on the boat and is suitable for your planned activities and the water conditions you anticipate. Spending a little time now can save your life later.

Always look for a label stating that the lifejacket has been approved by Transport Canada, the Canadian Coast Guard, Fisheries & Oceans Canada or any combination thereof before you purchase and make sure you understand the regulations and requirements. Also ensure you properly maintain whatever lifejacket you choose.

Children's Lifejackets

All lifejackets are clearly labeled with the appropriate weight range for the product. Check the label to match the weight range of your child. To check for a good fit, pick the child up by the shoulders of the lifejacket. If the lifejacket fits, the child's chin and ears will not slip through. You should look for the following safety features in your child's lifejacket: large collar for head support, waist ties/gathers in front and back, a safety strap that goes between the legs to prevent the device from slipping over your child's head, buckles on safety straps and reflective tape. You may also want to attach a non-metallic pealess whistle to the lifejacket. Also you should note that children's lifejackets must be inherently buoyant (ie. not inflatable). Children come in many sizes and shapes. If a particular lifejacket style does not work well, try another one.



Types of Jackets

SOLAS Lifejacket

This Lifejacket is designed for extended survival in rough, open water. It usually will turn an unconscious person face up. This is the best Lifejacket to keep you afloat in remote regions where rescue may be slow in coming.

Standard Type Lifejacket

This "classic" Lifejacket comes in several sizes for adults and children and is for calm inland water where

there is chance of fast rescue. It is less bulky and less expensive than a Type I, and many will turn an unconscious person face-up in the water.

Small Vessel Lifejacket

These Lifejackets are for use in calm water where there is good chance of fast rescue since they will turn an unconscious person face-up, but will do so slowly. They are available in three sizes and two styles (keyhole or vest), and provide less flotation than Standard Type Lifejackets.

Personal Flotation Device (PFD)

These Lifejackets are approved for pleasure craft use only and are generally considered the most comfortable, with styles for different boating activities and sports. They are for use in calm water where there is good chance of fast rescue since they will generally not turn an unconscious person face-up. Flotation aids come in many sizes, colours and styles.

Throwable Device

These are designed to be thrown to a person in the water. On most pleasure craft, buoyant heaving lines at least 15m in length are necessary equipment. Other throwable devices include lifebuoys (at least 61cm in diameter). They are not designed to be worn and must be supplemented by wearable Lifejacket. It is important to keep these devices immediately available for emergencies, and they should not be used for small children, non-swimmers, or unconscious people.



April 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Lounge Hrs 10:00—18:00 Sunday Brunch 10AM- 13:00	2	3 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	4 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	5 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	6 Lounge Hrs 16:00—23:00 Friday Night Salmon & Steak Dinner	7 Lounge Hrs 12:00—20:00
8 Lounge Hrs 10:00—18:00 Sunday Brunch 10AM- 13:00	9 	10 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00 VYC Executive Meeting 7PM	11 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	12 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	13 Lounge Hrs 16:00—23:00 Friday Night Salmon & Steak Dinner	14 Lounge Hrs 12:00—20:00 Crane Day 
15 Lounge Hrs 10:00—18:00 Sunday Brunch 10AM- 13:00	16	17 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	18 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	19 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	20 Lounge Hrs 16:00—23:00 Friday Night Salmon & Steak Dinner	21 Lounge Hrs 12:00—20:00
22 Lounge Hrs 10:00—18:00 Sunday Brunch 10AM- 13:00	23	24 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	25 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	26 Lounge Hrs 16:00—20:00	27 Lounge Hrs 16:00—23:00 Friday Night Salmon & Steak Dinner	28 Lounge Hrs 12:00—20:00 Clean Up Day 
29 Lounge Hrs 10:00—18:00 Sunday Brunch 10AM- 13:00	30	Lunch will be provided for the volunteers helping with clean-up.				
		Boat Show— May 5th and 6th				