



CRYC



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March Newsletter

Our web site <http://www.cryc.ca>



Commodore's Message

St. Patrick's Day, March 17th 2009, two days before our Yacht Club Meeting.

As well as being a celebration of Irish culture, Saint Patrick's Day is a Christian festival celebrated in the Catholic Church, the Church of Ireland, and some other denominations.

In many parts of North America, Britain, and Australia, expatriate Irish and ever-growing crowds of people with no Irish connections but who may proclaim themselves "Irish for a day" also celebrate St. Patrick's Day, usually with the consumption of traditionally Irish alcoholic beverages (beer and stout, such as Murphy's, Beamish, Smithwicks, Harp, or Guinness; Irish whiskey; Irish coffee; or Baileys Irish Cream) and by wearing green-coloured clothing. (The Internet is such a wealth of information).

Our Men's lunch at The White Spot was well attended!! Thanks guys.

See you all at the next CRYC general meeting.

Your Commodore, and First Mate,

Terry and Carol.



Future Events: (subject to change)

Social events; Races; Cruises

1. **General Meeting** – March 19th Wine tasting presentation by Brian Ross, Willow Point Wines – **The club will provide us cheese and crackers.**
2. **"Lion and Lamb" Race** - March 22nd
3. **"Prawn-a-thon"** April 4th & 5th
4. **Ladies lunch** April 7, 11:50am at Fusilli Grill.
5. **General Meeting** – April 16th 7:30pm- clubhouse – Cruising to Queen Charlottes with Gary and Colleen
6. **"Around Mitlenatch Island"** – Sunday April 19th
7. **Commodore's Sail Past** – Sunday May 10th
8. **Gorge Harbour Cruise** – May 15th-18th
9. **"Race to Gorge "** – May 16th
10. **"Single Handed" Race** – May 17th
11. **General Meeting** – May 21st 7:30pm at the clubhouse – program to be confirmed
12. **Quadra Island "Mayday" Race** – May 23rd
13. **"Major Mystery" Race & cruise** – June 13th & 14th
14. **Summer BBQ** – June 18th **6:30pm**- the clubhouse
15. **"Fall Fracas" Race** - September 13th
16. **Fall BBQ** – September 17th **6pm** at the clubhouse
17. **Christmas Party** – December 6th – Royal Coachman

Racing:

The proposed **racing schedule** is posted above. Hugh hopes for greater participation in the 2009 season. **Call Hugh Silver at 287-8213**



At the left is the Irish yacht **Shamrock** owned by J. P. Ward and photographed in 1892 by J. S Johnston (c.1839 - 1899).

This yacht should not be confused with the single masted racer, **Shamrock I** launched in 1899 and unsuccessful against **Columbia** in the America's Cup of that year. For more great yachting photos take a look at <http://www.jsjohnston.org/index.html>

Three competitors “shared” third place in this Vendée Globe. Samantha Davies (Roxy) was the third to cross the finish line, Marc Guillemot (Safran) took third place from her on the podium because of his redress with the extremely narrow advantage of 1hour and 20’ and Vincent Riou (PRB) was granted joint third place by the jury. This was the position he was in on the water, when he went to the assistance of Jean Le Cam, before losing his mast and being forced to retire.

Derek Hatfield sets sail again

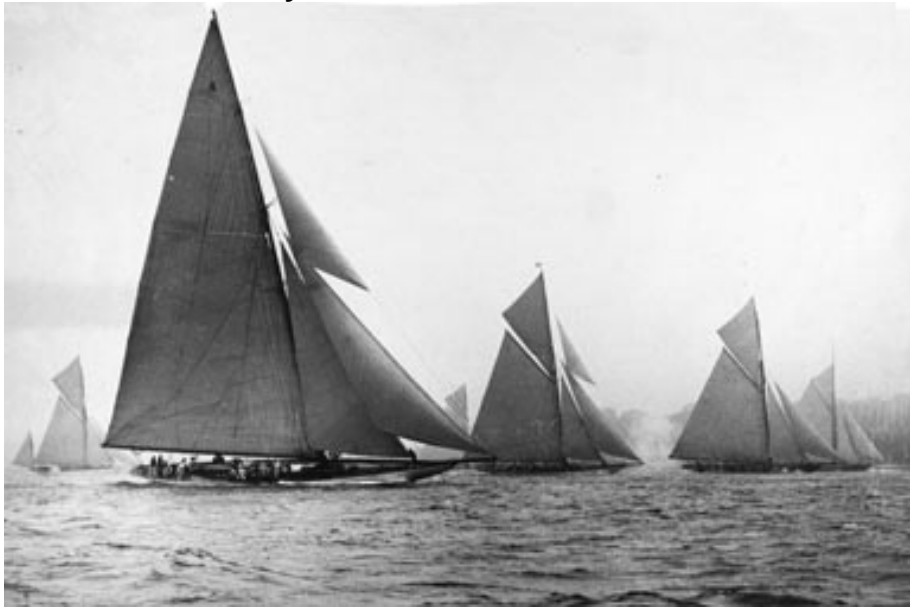


At 22.00hr GMT February 26th Derek Hatfield departed Hobart, Tasmania on the reconditioned IMOCA 60 Algimouss Spirit of Canada. The Canadian, forced to retire from the Vendée Globe because of damage to his spreaders, is determined to sail his boat back to the North Atlantic. Unfortunately, he’s had autopilot troubles and has decided to stop in New Zealand to fix them before heading for the South Pacific and Cape Horn.

At the time of writing, two skippers remain in the race, Raphaël Dinelli (300 nm out) and Norbert Sedlacek (700nm out).

Those were the days.....

(from the Times Online Photo Gallery www.timesonline.co.uk)



J Class yachts Endeavour (foreground) Velsheda with other boats in the 75 ton class at Cowes week in 1921.

J Class yachts Endeavour K4 leads Velsheda K7 on a downwind leg at Cowes week in 1931



POWELL RIVER QUEEN

The POWELL RIVER QUEEN (PRQ) was launched with two sister ferries (BOWEN QUEEN and MAYNE QUEEN) in 1965 by the Victoria Machinery Depot for the fledgling BC Ferries’ (BCF) new Gulf Islands routes. The PRQ had its housework raised in 1973 to accept over-height vehicles then, in 1979 all three vessels were stretched, re-engined and fitted with the first right-angle drive

PHOTO BY BRENDAN COYLE

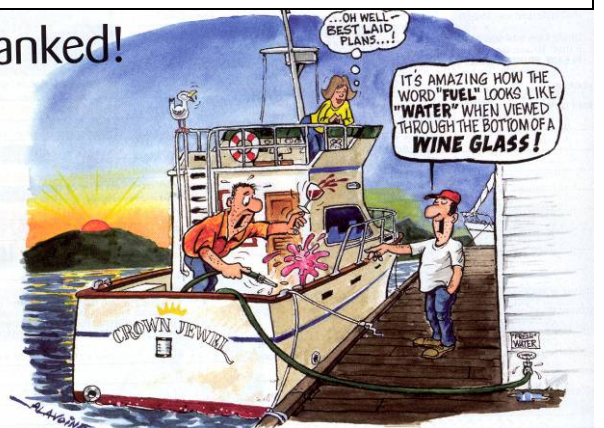
(RAD) units in the BCF fleet. Survey in 2005 showed that the PRQ’s deck plating was highly-deteriorated and the supporting framing stressed, with weld cracking, buckling and bowing of frames and plate throughout. This was caused by the constant rolling on and off of vehicles on the PRQ’s Campbell River—Quadra Island service, a very short run with quick turnarounds, and was severely compounded by over-weight logging trucks and construction vehicles using the ferry. It was decided to replace the deck as the PRQ was otherwise in very good condition. With only a four-month window available for the job Deas Pacific Marine (DPM; BCF’s in-house refit facility) contracted Aker Yards of Vancouver and they devised a method of engineering prefabricated deck modules consisting of the longitudinal girders and transverse frames, brackets, deck plate and access hatches. Twenty modules would be used (the largest 49’ x 27’), each completed as much as possible, inspected and pre-painted. BMT Fleet Technology provided the detailed module engineering and the CNC cutting files. Dynamic Structures did the module pre-manufacture. Meridian Marine installed 14 of the modules (seven at each of bow and stern including tanks, RAD compartments and voids) and Esquimalt Drydock Co. installed the six midship modules in way of the engine spaces. A significant setback – distortion in the vertical bulkheads caused by the release of built-in stresses from the original construction and from installation of new bulkhead panels – was countered with a system of additional bulkhead stiffeners. The total car deck area replaced was 13,500 sq ft using approximately 170 tons of steel plate, angle and beam stock. Clara Industrial Services and DPM applied deck coatings and other upgrades included installations of Roxul A60 fire insulation and a new fire control system. The PRQ project was completed to Lloyds and Transport Canada survey.

See *In the Shipyards: Deas Pacific Marine* in *Western Mariner*, July 2008

From the magazines:

Left – *Western Mariner* – February 2009
 Below – *Pacific Yachting* – March 2009
 (A great safety reminder!)

Tanked!



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Cruising:

Cruising Director Colin Duxbury's plans to cruise to the Queen Charlottes this summer leaving from Copper Bluffs on June 14th. He plans to arrive in Skidegate 15 days later.

The regular annual cruises, **Prawn-a-thon and Gorge Harbour**, are scheduled for April 4th & 5th and May 15th to 18th, respectively. Please stay tuned for further announcements, or **Contact Colin at 338-4555.**



NOW PAST DUE!
2009 Yearly Membership Dues

Family Membership	CRYC	\$75.00
	Fund	\$10.00
Family Total		\$85.00
Offshore Family Total		\$52.50
Personal Membership	CRYC	\$65.00
	Fund	\$10.00
Offshore Personal Total		\$47.50
Personal Total		\$75.00

The Funds go to the MARINE PARKS

Crew Wantedfrom Colleen Kelly & Gary Wessel

As some of you know Gary and I are headed off to a crewing opportunity/holiday to the Canary Islands that we found at the website Crewseekers International. I had also posted a crew position wanted in the Bluewater Cruising Assn that we belong to. I received a call from Michelle today who is looking for crew to help him bring his big beautiful boat up the coast from El Salvador to the Gulf Islands end of April or the beginning of May. His email is pch152@telus.net and their blog is jovietawwwl.blogspot.com I know this trip is more like work than play, but thought there might be some interest. I told him I would give our club members this info.

All Racers NB – The deadline for early-bird registration for the 41st Annual Southern Straits Classic is March 15th. The event takes place April 10-12th. For more information visit www.southernstraits.ca.

Please Note - If you change your address, phone number, email address, boat information or any other items that may be relevant, keep the club registry up to date. Please inform: - **Inga Woolsey** - email iwoolsey@telus.net. Thanks!

