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### The Commodores Message

Here we are in mid September already! Where did the summer go? I hope you had a great boating season.

The regular Thursday meeting has been postponed. Our September meeting will now be held on Saturday, September 20th, 4 PM at the clubhouse. The club will be honoring Wade Major with a special presentation for 15 years continuous service on the executive. Brian Kyle is the only other person to have received this recognition. I hope you can all attend. We will start off with cocktails at 4, potluck dinner at 5-5:30, and presentation to follow.

Bring along your stories of Wade to share with the group. I'm sure there must be quite a few!

Safe Boating! Cheers!

Dave



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**Yearly Membership Dues.**

**Family Membership:**

	CRYC	\$65.00
	Fund	\$10.00
<b>Family Total</b>		<b>\$75.00</b>

Personal Membership:

	CRYC	\$55.00
	Fund	\$10.00
<b>Personal Total</b>		<b>\$65.00</b>

*The Funds go to the MARINE PARKS*

**Offshore Membership totals are.**  
\$42.50 for families and 37.50 for personals.

**“Off Island and adjacent Islands” residents.**

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**CBCYC Representative**  
**Jim Elliot**  
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**923-6981**

**If you change your** address, phone number, email address, boat information or any other items that may be relevant, please make sure this information is forwarded  
To: - Lynda Harris  
To keep the club registry up to date.

**Ladies Lunch :-**  
Call Carol 337-5318 or email  
**NEXT OCTOBER. TBA**

**Men's lunch**  
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**Racing.**

Racing will re-commence in the fall...  
*Hugh Silver at 287-8213*



**Cruising**

Please Contact me at 338-4555 if you plan to attend.  
*Colin Duxbury*



**The Schedule of events for Campbell River Yacht Club 2008**

Date	Event		
<b>SATURDAY September 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Special Meeting to honor a long-term member of the executive.	4pm to >>>	<b>Social meeting At the club house</b>
September	Cruise to Pender Harbour?		
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Executive meeting	7.30pm	At the club house
October	Proposed Cruise to Bute Inlet for Bear Watching.		TBA
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	7.30pm	At the club house
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Executive meeting	7.30pm	At the club house
November 20	AGM and elections	7.30pm	At the club house
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>First New Executive for 2009</b>		TBA
December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party		Royal Coachman



We had a great cruise to Grace Harbour and then to Princess Louisa Inlet



Remember these guys.  
 Read below of their exploits down south

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Hello All,

Barry & I are still cruising on our Fuji 45 sailboat, Pacific Voyager. Remember we sailed to Alaska in 2003 then enjoyed 4 seasons in British Columbia, Canada. We left there after having to install a new engine in May of 2007 and slowly sailed south along the US coast visiting friends and sightseeing along the way. We entered Mexican waters on December 10th and have worked our way down the Baja Mexico coast to Cabo San Lucas then over to Puerto Vallarta & Barra de Navidad on the mainland Mexico coast. We visited Mazatlan on our trip back up north then sailed to La Paz back on the Baja side. Now that hurricane season is back, we must sail further north into the Sea of Cortez.

It is a very hot and humid desert place this time of year. Our clothes and skin are constantly drippy. We have cut the sleeves and collars out of our shirts to get more air. We snorkel or jump in the water lots just to get cool sometimes in our lycra suits to protect us from jellyfish stings. The water temperature is between 83 – 87 now and not really refreshing at the high end. The freezer has now become a refrigerator as it cannot compete with the very warm seawater against the hull of the boat. Most of the time it is too hot to cook. You try to come up with all sorts of creative recipes.

We use our watermaker every day and are drinking at least 2 times what we usually consume. We have to be very cautious of dehydration and keep our electrolytes up. Gatorade is a necessity often. The water we make from seawater tastes good but is devoid of minerals so must be replaced with vitamin and mineral supplements. Our 5 big solar panels are working away converting the sun into water -- the panels convert the sunlight to energy which charges our 6 big golf cart batteries which run the water maker. It is an older style and makes only 1 ½ gallons an hour.

We have to keep all the fresh water off the decks as the bees are craving water too, and hundreds of them can come in minutes, and we never leave wet towels hanging on deck. We keep all our drinking water in closed bottles and sodas require a piece of paper towel stuffed into the opening. A big gulp of soda with a bee in it would not be a pleasant experience. At some anchorages we hear what appears to be firecrackers. It is really bat rays doing belly flops on the water. They look like they are having so much fun. We also hear that rattlesnakes and scorpions are numerous, but we have not seen any yet. Some areas have huge cactus and other areas practically nothing at all. We often come upon a really dead looking plant and find a beautiful blossom on it. The waterfalls and cool breezes of Canada are long gone. A fin whale cruised through the anchorage this morning and a lone coyote checked out every inch of the beach for scraps of food. There are a few totally harmless whale sharks reported to be here. We will try to swim with them.

It was Barry's turn to moderate the cruisers' net this morning. Other

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boaters within single sideband radio range report in to say who and where they are and then Don Anderson from Oxnard, California is called and gives us the weather report for the Mexico coast. We are now powering 5 miles to a small town where we hear there is a grocery store (tienda) and internet coverage. A small café is reported to have hamburgers. Haven't had one of those in a long time. Going to try to sign up for Skype today so we can make phone calls using our computer. Amazing !!.

I am now sitting here in the cockpit enjoying the little breeze that has finally started to blow. We put up the complete awning to try to get a little shelter from the intense sun. It has taken me months to sew it from the tan shade cloth from Home Depot. The boat is 45' long and 12' wide at the mid section. We hung it high enough to walk under and have added 30" panels along the sides. It really helps, but when the wind totally stops, even our fans do little to help. The awning has to be taken down every night as the sudden fierce winds called "Chubascos" can come up to 30 - 50 knots in minutes.

There are only about 20 of us left here for the summer. Hundreds of others have left their boats here and flown home or sailed to the south Pacific islands. There are probably quite a few who stay at marinas in places like La Paz. In November (after hurricane season) we will slowly work our way south and eventually through the Panama Canal then back north to the Texas coast. It is, however, well known that cruisers change their minds.

Fifteen of us hid in the only hurricane hole here, Puerto de San Juan, last week. Tropical Storm Julio passed over La Paz with lots of wind and rain. It came north along the backbone of the mountains instead of the water so lessened slowly. Other places north of us got 35knot winds and loads of horizontal rain. By the time it got down to us there was no wind or rain. We escaped that one. Thanks for your prayers. We will have to meet all these boats there again if another one forms which is likely since we have another 1 ½ months of hurricane season. It gets really scary.

We have learned to play a couple of games with other cruisers. One is a game using dominos with up to double 12. The mind and eyes really have trouble with all those dots at times. The other game is Baja rummy. We really depend on each other down here on our boats and have to be very self sufficient. At times there may be 10 of us in an anchorage or at other times we may be alone for awhile. You try to have spare parts for everything and lots of tools and how-to books for all your equipment. We go for long periods of time without internet or cell phone coverage. Just buying groceries takes a very long time. It nearly always starts with taking your dinghy a good ways to shore and a long ride back if the conditions have gotten sloppy. Long walks with backpacks or carts are common. You may have to go to several different stores to get all you need. Getting it into the rocking boat without losing anything or getting hurt is a challenge. Washing all the produce off with bleach and removing all the

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store wrappings is next. Finding where to put everything is a challenge also.

A huge black cloud came over the hill last night, and the wind went from 20 knots to 51 in about a minute. There was lightning, thunder, sideways rain. The boat was heeling over quite a bit as we tried to get the awning down. That is the first rain we had seen in a long time, but we could have done without the fierce wind. We all survived it and will now have to watch for these things around the clock as the convection builds huge thunder clouds most every day.

We fish almost everyday. Our favorites are the Spanish Mackerel and Dorado. We have fish tacos often and bbq it at other times. We love fishing.

Later --- well it happened. We swam about 30 yards from the boat to the little whale shark. He (or she) was about 12 - 14 ft. long, a blue gray color with tan spots. A huge mouth always open as it sucks in 1500 gallons of water per minute. We both got to touch it as it swam between us sucking in the plankton to eat. It looked so huge compared to our size. We cannot imagine swimming with an adult one of 40+ feet. We will continue to look for the bigger ones. We were so excited. After we got back on the boat, we noticed another small one a little further away. Look these critters up on your computer to see what they look like. WOW!!!!

Our contacts are:

Cell phone: 808-989-5803 (will be almost no coverage this summer and do not leave a message.) Free for Hawaii residents.

No Home phone

Email: [holokai@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:holokai@hawaii.rr.com) some coverage this summer.

[wdb4010@sailmail.com](mailto:wdb4010@sailmail.com) always coverage with this address through our single sideband radio. NO PICTURES OR ATTACHMENTS THOUGH. !!!

Our old sailing website may be of interest to some of you even though I have not updated it in several years. Has lots of info. and pictures of our travels. It is at

<http://www.sailblogs.com/member/pacificvoyager/?xjMsgID=8081>

We miss all of you very much. Saw a few of you on my recent trip to Texas. That was great. Let us know how you are. We are currently in Bahia de Los Angeles in Baja California Norte. Look us up in your atlas.

We pray for good health and great joy for you all.

Aloha,

Barry & Pat Bolln  
SV Pacific Voyager

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