



B. C. M. S. NEWS

January-April 2008.

*A Happy New Sailing Season
to all our members*

**It is time to get the boat ready, up-date charts and
get emotionally and physically ready for the great
sailing season approaching!**

**Exciting website
news inside!!**

Check it out!!

Site address:

bcms.bc.ca

BCMS Email address is still :

members@bcms.bc.ca

Honourable Members:

*There is still time to be
honourable!*

The membership guides Marlene and Stu wish to thank members for their promptness in forwarding the very small dues for membership in this ancient and esteemed organization. If you have forgotten, your sins will be forgiven if you could forward your cheque to our treasurer Marlene MacKenzie at the club address. This would help a huge amount as it reduces the time these directors take to keep the club in good shape.

Please see last page. This will be the last newsletter for those who have not paid.

Many thanks, and see you on the water.

New

Exciting Website News!

Prez Bob reports that the new website is actively being rebuilt.

Check it out soon. Again, the directors would like to hear any suggestions of concerns about the website.

The new look is fantastic and the various portions of the site are steadily being filled in with the details. The club now has a totally new and exciting look on the web!

Note the ability to pay for membership through Paypal, the ability of members to post pics and stories, swap info in a private members area, archival of pics and old Newsletters, and maintain better communications in the club.

Another change is that our ISP (Internet Service Provider) and host has been changed from the previous hosts to Nisa.com, the company providing the classy Van Isle 360 (and many other) websites.

No change in website or email addresses is needed. The directors felt that the club will get a better deal, better website and better service by the new arrangement, for about the same cost.

Not all parts of the website are working at this time but will soon be as they are being filled in and activated. Watch for more news and directions.

PUB NIGHTS

Tues April 15, 2008

(Note: no pub night in May due to Port Browning Sail-In and AGM)

Tues, June 17, 2008

1930 Hrs

RUSTY ANCHOR PUB,
End of Ferry Road, Ladner.

Semiahmoo International Regatta April 26-27 08

See the season debut of Stu and Gaby Kerr's deadly new cat, *Flying Kiwi*, duel with *Bad Kitty* and other racing animals from the US and Canada. A good turnout of both monomaras and multihulls will be present for this race weekend,

Note: A dinner is being considered for the Friday night, April 25th. Those interested should promptly email Alec Mackenzie at alec@arguscontrols.com

or phone 604-538-0917 ASAP.

2008 Annual General Meeting:

AGM will be at the Port Browning Spring Sail-In (May long weekend, May 17-19) on the beach or inside the Marina buildings. Meeting time will be 1830 hrs on Sat May 18, 2008. Please contribute to your club by attending the popular sail-in and new AGM location. The directors would appreciate greater valuable input from all members. Here is your opportunity. Please see notice of the meeting on Page 4 of this newsletter.

PORT BROWNING SAIL-IN

**Don't miss it! The start of
the only season that counts!**

**May 17-19 for workers
May 16-21 (plus) for retirees**



*A gaggle of some of the club multies at last
year's Port Browning Spring Sail-In*



*Glen McDonald and Bob Davis
advertise the benefits of the
'07 Port Browning Sail-In.*



*Jetti and Richard Woods, NA, at the '07
Port Browning Sail-In.*



**Alec and Marlene Mackenzie's custom-
built *Green Flash* at speed. *Green Flash*
has just undergone upgrades, including
new paint and plumbing improvements.**

A BCMS Directors meeting was held
April 8, 2008, at Kwantlen College
Cloverdale. Prez Bob Davis hosted.
The evening concentrated on the
development of the new website.

Next Directors meeting will be May 6.

BCMS 2008
Newcastle Island
Mid-Summer Sail-In

Come for the camaraderie, fun, mysteries
and tall tales around the BBQ at
Newcastle Island Mid-Summer Sail-in.

This is a great family event in a safe,
natural, park setting, located with good
water taxi or dinghy access to the
conveniences of Nanaimo city and
harbour. There are rabbits and deer on
the island as well as birds and foreshore
marine life for children to enjoy.

Watch the float-planes take off and land,
ferries and luxury yachts dock, and the
island park life at play.

Last year's event was a resounding
success, even though there were a few
logistical problems that were overcome.
Many club boats took over a portion of
the anchorage at Newcastle Island. The
club mother ship *Friendly Dragon* will be
there at the dock to welcome all members
and friends to the 2008 event. Any non-
members who are interested should be
encouraged to attend. They may find the
Gospel of Multihulls enticing!

Planning for the next great summer?

Please mark your calendars for the

Newcastle Island
Mid-Summer Sail-In

July 4 - 7, 2008

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Official Notice:

The Annual General Meeting of the
BRITISH COLUMBIA MULTIHULL
SOCIETY

will be held at **1830 hours**

on the beach or nearby facilities

at Port Browning,

North Pender Island, B.C.,

on Saturday May 24, 2008

at 1630 hours PDT.

Agenda will include:

- Report to Members
- Budget Approval
- Financial Statements
- Election of Officers

All Members of the Society in good
standing are encouraged to attend.

Seattle Boat Show Report:

Alec Mackenzie reported that the Seattle Boat Show did not exhibit many sailing multihulls. The emphasis was on power monohulls and power cats. There were a few beach cats but no other sailing multihulls.

Scenes from the 2007
Swiftsure International
Yacht Race



Camera catching the spray and the scene from behind John Green and crew at speed on his Farrier F9A, Sauterelle, Swiftsure 07.



Thoroughbred racers, in the Inner Harbour, Victoria, awaiting the call to the start line for the next day's racing in highly varied conditions – from storms to calms.

Swiftsure '08 Multihull Dinner.

BCMS member and Swiftsure Multihull Chair John Green is arranging a dinner for Friday night May 23, 2008 to be held at RvicYC for a cost that is not expected to exceed \$40. Members who would like to be present should contact John ASAP at johgre@shaw.ca
Or phone 250-544-4324 or 250-415-5204 (cell)

!!!! – Proposed- !!!!

2008 Calendar of BCMS Events

(Please check the accuracy of details: Ed.)

April 26-27, 2008	Semiahmoo Regatta
May 17 – 19, 2008 (Victoria Day Wkend)	BCMS Spring Sail-In AGM – Port Browning
May 23 – 25, 2008	Swiftsure Int. Yacht Race (<i>Van Isle 360 Race, Nanaimo- will next run 2009</i>)
July 5 - 6, 2008	BCMS Mid-Summer Sail-In Newcastle Island, Nanaimo
July 23, 26, 30, Final Aug. 02, 2008	Fireworks in English Bay
August 02 - 03, 2008	Cowichan Bay Regatta
August 16 – 23, 2008?	BCMS / NWMA Desolation Sound Cruise?
Aug. 30 - Sept. 1, 2008	BCMS Fall Sail-In Saturna Island/Winter Cove
Sept 20 - 22, 2008	Late Summer Blues Cruise - Pender Harb. Jazz Festival
Sept 29-31, 2008	Maple Bay Regatta

Other News...



The fine art of *Multi-grafting!*

Tri-surgeons Peter and Vicky Schoonbeek will have their 36 ft *Dutch Treat* sport a new raised cabin this summer. Here it is being positioned prior to installation.



Gaby Kerr has allowed hubby Stu to sail her 36 ft Banks racing cat *Flying Kiwi*. Rumour is that Stuart has already spent a season's allocation of time and miles on the boat and it is not even the start of the season yet. Gaby reports she does not see Stu around much these days.

CBCYC Report:

Grey-water tanks:

Glen MacDonald reports that the Fed Govt will not require grey water tanks for vessels under 400 tonnes – most of our vessels should be within that limit!

Fuel Docks:

The issue of fewer fuel docks as a result of Esso getting out of the marine fuel business is still a hot topic with no solution for all cases. Apparently some agreement has been made between some independent operators and Esso to continue on if certain conditions are met, such as upgrades to the barges. Some fuel barges – such as at Nanaimo - have been completely destroyed by Esso, as Esso wants to eliminate any trace of their previous presence on the waterfront. Much of the reason for the issue is that Esso says it has marginal profits in sales of fuel, etc, in the marine area, and it is worried about future lawsuits or penalties due to environmental spills etc.

Marine Parks Forever:

- would like a donation of \$10 per member from clubs.

Next CBCYC Meeting will be 1030 hrs, April 19 at Nanaimo Yacht Club.

Van Isle 360:

Bob Davis reports that re-organization of the 2009 Van Isle 360 (which takes place every other year only) is taking place to make the event more streamlined and easier for others to follow. Race results will be available immediately though newly installed technology. The legendary Canadian navy training vessel Oriole will again be sailing in the race.

- For Sale -

Cross 28 Trimaran "Moonbird"
Completed 2003, 3 berths.
Furlex Reefing (2007)
Interior finished to high standard 2007
Honda 9.9HP, Powerthrust, 4-Stroke, o/board
Holding tank, pump-out head,
Propane stove, propane BBQ,
VHF radio, digital speed/ depth/ log
2 golf cart batteries, Xantrex charger,
Many extras not listed, excellent condition
Price reduced to \$44,900
Anyone interested can call or email us for a
spec sheet and photos. Located North Van.
Colin and Jackie Turner, (604)921-5430



Moonbird

For Sale:

Tourissimo 10 Cat.: *Gilbert and Sullivan*, performance cruiser design, epoxy cored-construction, widened & lengthened with designer Trennent's approval. Cuddy cabin on bridge-deck, wing mast. \$2.5K spent on near-new working jib and jib structure. Located Comox. \$50k.
Please email Roy Mills at

< rsirfj@shaw.ca >





Gilbert and Sullivan

(Ed. note: Their plan when they left Mexico was to head to Hawaii and then return to B.C in July 2008. They seem to be having so much fun they might never come home!)

Much more at their website above.

From their latest update – April 8, 2008-

Hilo, Hawaii
Aloha!

This update now includes our full log with all the nitty-gritty day-by-day details of our Pacific Ocean crossing as well as an expanded summary of the trip directly below. We are safely anchored in Radio Bay near the cruise ship terminal in Hilo after an “interesting” 23-day passage. It was definitely character building experience for both of us. We thought of all of you often. First of all there is a lot of water on this planet. It is hard to fully comprehend the immensity of the ocean. The water in the deep ocean is a brilliant sapphire blue. (Guess this is why from space Earth is so very blue.)

Lightwave:

Garrett and Carlie’s Excellent Adventure!

(from www.lightwave99.com)



A whale breaching near Lightwave in mid-pacific

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Ever wondered how the remains of fish arrive overnight in your dinghy? Sammy visited the Editor's dinghy at Prevost Island one dark and tranquil night.

But not for long!!

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL January 1 - December 31, 2007

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Partner's Name (if joining) _____

Address _____

_____ Code _____

Phone () _____

Fax () _____ e-mail _____

Occupation _____

Lower Mainland Area: Member	\$35	\$.....
Lower Mainland Area: Partner	\$5
Outside Lower Mainland: Member	\$25
Outside Lower Mainland: Partner	\$2
Youth Member	\$15

Total Enclosed \$.....

Cheque Cash Money Order
 CANADIAN FUNDS ONLY

I prefer NOT to have this information made public.

PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE OF FORM

PLEASE UPDATE INFORMATION REGARDING BOAT:

Trimaran.....Catamaran.....Other.....

Designer.....

Year Launched.....Size.....

Boat Name.....

Sail #.....Construction or Mooring Location.....

Liability Insurance Coverage (Minimum \$1,000,000.00).....YES.....NO.....

Attached is a photo of my boat for the BCMS web page.....

Anything else?.....