



# THE PORT LOG

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### NATIONAL COUNCILLORS

David Bremner, Jim Shroff, Brian Johnston,

### DIVISIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

All Members are welcome to attend –

1. The Divisional Council meetings held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1730hrs.
2. Every Tuesday is brown bag lunch from 1030hrs To 1330hrs.

### VICTORIA GROUP MEETING

The third Wednesday of each month at 1200 hrs – contact Mike Gray if you wish to attend.

### VANCOUVER ISLAND MEETING

The fourth Tuesday of each month – 1100 - 1300 hrs. in the Harbour Commission office – Front St. Nanaimo BC

## PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING VANCOUVER DIVISION

**Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> 2006**

Place: The Missions to Seafarers,  
401 East Waterfront Road, Vancouver.  
Time: 1030 hrs.

Proxies and announcement for this meeting was sent to all members in July.

A light lunch will be served.  
To confirm your attendance please advise  
Jim Shroff –email - [divaventures@shaw.ca](mailto:divaventures@shaw.ca)  
Tony Dekkers  
leun Lampshire-Jones

## THE NATIONAL AGM – OCT. 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> 2006

Place: The Inn at Westminster Quay, New Westminster

### Schedule of events:

Friday Oct.20<sup>th</sup> – 1800hrs - Reception for members & Guests.

Saturday Oct.21<sup>st</sup> - 0900hrs. - 149<sup>th</sup> National Council Meeting

1200hrs – Lunch

1330hrs - AGM of The Company of Master Mariners of Canada Foundation.

1430hrs – 39<sup>th</sup> AGM of The Company of Master Mariners of Canada

1800hrs - Dinner

Sunday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> – 0900hrs - 150<sup>th</sup> National Council Meeting

It is our turn to host the AGM in October. We wish to make our visitors welcome and there is a need for volunteers to undertake some associated tasks. Any member who has a little time and would like to assist please contact me or e-mail [theda@telus.net](mailto:theda@telus.net)

*Captain DJ Bremner  
Master, Vancouver Division*

## DUES FOR 2006

As the end of August approaches there are still a few members who have yet to submit their dues for this year and who by the by-laws are now "not in good standing". Letters have been sent out to these members and we hope to hear from them soon. In the meantime we thank those who have paid – we appreciate your promptness

## THE MASTER'S REPORT

As usual the office adopted the summer schedule and was staffed on alternate Tuesdays during June and July. As anticipated only an odd member or so turned up at these meetings and the good summer weather did not encourage people to come and visit us.

On May 7<sup>th</sup> I attended the Battle of Atlantic Service at North Vancouver. Captains I. Lampshire-Jones and R. McKay, veterans of this event, laid a wreath on behalf of Vancouver Division.

On Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> I joined a small group from the Mission to Seafarers and boarded the Steveston Lifeboat under command of our Honorary member Captain John Horton. We left Horseshoe Bay and proceeded up Howe Sound to Mariners Rest, previously Steamboat Rock. We anchored close by and held a small service of remembrance for those laid to rest there and for seafarers lost at sea elsewhere. Everyone remarked on the beauty and peacefulness of the area. Canon Bill Christianson, Secretary General of The Mission to Seafarers was with the party.

We had planned a technical dinner for June 22<sup>nd</sup>. However due to lack of support we were forced to cancel this event.

On 25<sup>th</sup> July the Divisional Council held the usual monthly meeting to discuss the forthcoming Divisional and National Annual General Meetings. Notice of the Divisional AGM was sent out by e-mail and post on July 16<sup>th</sup> along with the attached proxy forms. If you have not received it please contact myself or Dorothy Hickman at the office.

The initial details and arrangements for the National AGM (October 20/22) were posted on The Company web-site prior to my departure to Scotland on holiday and were also published in the June issue of From the Bridge. We are still in the early stages of planning this event and any changes will be posted on the web-site.

On Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup> I joined a small group of the Association of Marine Surveyors of BC at the site of the Fellowship Bell – just west of the Bayshore Inn. The Bell commemorates the people who originally built up Coal Harbour into a busy commercial area. The meeting was in order to polish the bell and draw attention to it. There are some 300 names inscribed on

the bell and two attached plaques, many well known to myself including some members of Vancouver Division.

At the Divisional Council Meeting on August 22<sup>nd</sup> there was a discussion of what could be done to attract members to participate in the Council and the affairs of the Division. It was felt that the fact that council meetings are open to all members is not known to many of our members. We would certainly encourage anyone to come along and see the council at work and also to participate in the various discussions. It was decided to tackle this in two ways. At least for a trial period the time of the meetings will return to the old scheduled time of 5.30pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month. Also as well as the Annual General Meeting in September there will be open type meetings in January and May which will be held in the basement of the Mission and will concentrate on items of general interest to members.

I invite anyone who is interested in becoming a Director to come and have a chat with me. Also if someone is up on computers and would be interested in the production of our Port Log I would be happy to hear from them. In closing I would like to highlight the importance of getting new people involved in the running of the Division. We need new ideas and new concepts to keep members interested and willing to participate in events. At least three directors must step down each year and we are looking for replacements. I ask anyone who is interested contact me. In particular new members are welcomed in any capacity.

Finally, I wish you all the best and that you continue to enjoy this beautiful summer weather. I hope to have a good attendance for the Divisional AGM, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Also, I hope many of our members with wives, friends or guests will join us October 21<sup>st</sup> at our National AGM dinner for a pleasant meal in a very nice location. ( see page 1 for more information)

*Captain DJ Bremner  
Master,  
Vancouver Division*

## THE NATIONAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

It is again our time to host the AGM and the National Council Meetings associated with it. Our turn comes around about every seven years as this event rotates through the Divisions. This is a good opportunity to find out how The Company operates and the kind of discussions that are part of this process. At our own Council Meeting it was suggested and agreed unanimously that we should publish the agenda for each meeting in this newsletter, with the purpose of informing you in advance of the various items. I would encourage as many of you as possible to come to the meetings and to participate in them. This is also an excellent chance to

meet the Masters and Officers of The Company and its Divisions. I hope to see a good turn out there.

*Captain DJ Bremner  
Master  
Vancouver Division*

**Agendas for the National Council Meetings and the AGM to be held October 21/22 at the Inn at Westminster Quay, New Westminster**

**Agenda for 149<sup>th</sup> NCM to be held Sat. October 21<sup>st</sup> 2006 at 0900hrs.**

- 1a. Acceptance of the minutes of the 148<sup>th</sup> National Council Meeting
- 1b. Acceptance of all teleconference business conducted and all teleconference material distributed in the year of 2006.
2. Business arising out of those minutes
  - 2a. Update on the Marine Transportation Security Clearance Program.
  - 2b. Final arrangements for the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.
3. Election of Officers

National Master, Deputy National Master, Assistant National Master, National Secretary, National Treasurer.
4. Wellness of Divisions
5. Other Business
6. Date and time of the 150<sup>th</sup> National Council Meeting
7. Adjournment

**Agenda for the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting to be held Sat. Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> at 1430 hrs.**

1. Acceptance of the minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.
2. Business arising out of those minutes  
Proposed amendments to the By-laws – see attached amendments
3. Reports from Officers:

National Master, Divisional Master, National Secretary, National Treasurer, Membership Report, Administrator/Trustee the Captain G.O. Baugh Fund

4. Slate of Officers for 2006/2007
5. Auditor's Report
6. Appointment of the Auditor 2006/2007
7. Other Business
8. Date and time of the next AGM in 2007
9. Adjournment.

**Agenda for the 150<sup>th</sup> National council Meeting to be held Sunday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> at 0900 hrs.**

1. Acceptance of the minutes of the 149<sup>th</sup> National Council Meeting
2. Business arising out of those minutes
3. C.M.M.C. Securities Position
4. Review of operating statement and proposed Budget
5. Approval of honorariums
6. Dues and nomination fees for 2006/2007
7. Other business
8. Date and time of the 151<sup>st</sup> National council Meeting by teleconference.
9. Adjournment

*Captain P.M. Ireland  
National Secretary*

