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# HAABC UPDATE

#### **Checking out from Past President - Mo Nordstrom**

I trust everyone had a great time at the 2016 HAABC seminar in Prince Rupert! It seems a nasty virus took many of the participants down; I'm thinking the germs were circulated on those frustrating microphones we passed around and around.

My hope is that you took back more than just the flu to your harbour. I hope you returned with some good ideas and next steps in the works to address any issues you may be facing at your harbour.

Many thanks to our Port Edward Harbour Authority hosts, Keri and Tammy; Trevor, our feature harbour presenter; and the SCH crew for making the journey to Prince Rupert. A special thanks to Leslie who battled through, sick as she was, to make sure the Board was supported and the seminar details were attended to!

I also want to take this opportunity to express thanks to my fellow HAABC Board members for supporting me as president this past two years. I had only planned on serving one year, but I am so glad I was able to fulfill another year and help the HAABC move forward in providing the membership with increased support. Thank you Robin Millar for taking over as President, I am confident as a Harbour Board Member and former Harbour Manager you have the skill-set necessary to look at the big picture when it comes to our SCH facilities!

As for the rest of the board members I have had the privilege to work with: they are the best volunteers ever! The continual emails, conference calls, zone meetings, committees, and mentor visits are a testament to their commitment to the HAABC.

Nothing gets missed with Rob reviewing it! Janet has such vast management experience, there is not much that happens at harbours she hasn't encountered and solved. Keri is on top of everything that comes her way and her accounting background is a serious strength to the financial side of the association. Joel appears to be able to juggle an endless amount of activities coming at him, and his sound advice often makes a potentially complex issue clear and concise. Robin is our detail guy, always prepared, has copies of everything, and organizes us with military like precision. Leah is new to the table, I trust her eagerness to learn and extensive marine background will make her a strong Board member. It was a pleasure to work with past director Lutz Budde, he always brought a rational to the table that was "big picture" and found a diplomatic way to handle even the most unpleasant issues. Many thanks Lutz! My focus was, and will continue to be as past president, communication!

As I'm sure you are all aware, I manage a small harbour, on a part-time contract. My involvement with the HAABC board has been on a 100% volunteer basis. I could not, nor would not have been so passionate about my participation if it weren't for Leslie. She always, always goes a bove and beyond her wage allowance, time allotment and board expectations to provide the membership with support in a multitude of forms! It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with her and the HAABC board and to represent your association as president. I hope I served you well.

**Regards Mo** 

#### 2016 HAABC Seminar - "Stronger Together"

The HAABC was held in Prince Rupert from February 1-3, 2016. The highlight of the seminar was a tour of the Port Edward Harbour Authority's facilities culminating in a visit to

the North Pacific Cannery in Port Edward. This historic site is a premier tourist destination, but more importantly to our group, a glimpse of the history of the fishing industry, the primary reason Harbour Authorities exist. Planning is essential to keep our Harbours viable, we need to know where we come from in able to properly plan where we need to go.





Highlights of this year's seminar. For more information go to the HAABC website!

## 2016 HAABC Seminar Exhibitors Broadwater Industries Inc. www.broadwaterindustries.ca/en/ Harbour Machining www.harbourmachining.net/en/ Marina Accessories Inc. www.marina-accessories.com Nesika Insurance www.fairway.ca/nesika Prince Rupert Liquid Natural Gas www.princerupertIng.ca Valard Dive Services www.valard.com/EXPERTISE/CommercialDiving.aspx Western Canada Marine Response Corporation wcmrc.com

#### **Presentations** -

Conflict Resolution - Mario Govorchin

Employee Health & Dental Programs - Adam Duncan

Feature Harbour Presentation - Trevor Amos, Haisla Harbour Authority

Harbour Authority Long-Term Planning Considerations for your Harbour Authority's Long Term Plan - Katie Rattan, Program Officer, SCH and Jordan Mah, Manager of Operations, SCH

SCH Update - Ken Smith, Regional Director

SCH Awards - Robin Richardson, Manager

Understanding Your Lease - Robin Richardson, Manager

Board Governance - Andy Ellingsen, Harbour Authority of Cortes Island

Managing Vessels of Concern - Darren Williams, Lambert and Williams LAW

Electrical Meter Reading - Robert Clarke, Comox Valley Harbour Authority and Robin Millar, Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour

#### 2016 HAABC Board of Directors

President - Robin Millar, Sunshine Coast Zone Director

Vice-President - Joel Baziuk, Lower Mainland Zone Director

Secretary Treasurer - Keri Weick, North Coast Zone Director

Janet Rooke, South Island Zone Director

Mo Nordstrom, Mid-Island Zone Director

Leah Robinson, North Island Zone Director

Robert Clarke, Director at Large



Robin Millar Leah Robinson Mo Nordstrom Janet Rooke Keri Weick Joel Baziuk Leslie Taylor Robert Clarke

#### **SCH Awards**

#### Harbour Authority Achievement

Seyem Qwantlen accepted by Drew Atkins Malcolm Island Lions, Sointula, accepted by Lorraine Williams Queen Charlotte HA accepted by Lori Weideman

## Harbour Authority Environmental Stewardship

Okeover Harbour Authority accepted by Lynn Paris



Drew Atkins

Ken Smith



Lorainne Williams

**Robin Richardson** 



Lori Weideman

Robin Richardson



Lynn Paris

Ken Smith

#### HAABC Life Member Awards

Carol Doyle - Gibson's Landing Harbour Authority, Past President HAABC

Andy Ellingsen - Harbour Authority Association of BC

Leslie Taylor - Administrator, HAABC (to be awarded at a future date)

#### Lutz Budde nominated Carol for a Life Member Award Below is his submission.

Carol Doyle was President of the HAABC for 2004 and 2005. She was also an HAABC director representing the Sunshine Coast in 2008 & 2009. Carol was an active community member in Gibsons, who realized that the harbour in Gibsons was a great asset to the community and needed support from businesses to thrive and prosper. She saw in the HAABC a great opportunity to get involved to support not only the Gibsons Harbour Authority, but also to promote the concept of community managed harbours. As a busy owner of a local Art Gallery, she took time to make her self familiar with the issues the harbour faced and contributed solutions to the challenges of operating a harbour in a busy community. Carol actively persued and obtained funding for the Gibsons Harbour in order to make it a service the people in Gibsons could be proud off. As president of the HAABC for two years, Carol took her job seriously and made sure that all board members were involved in making the HAABC grow. She attended all of the HAABC conferences during her time as board member of the GLHA and contributed thoughtfully to the discussions. Carol left the Gibsons



community due to family commitment and resigned from the board of the GLHA. She recently returned and GLHA is fortunate to again have her on the board.

It is people with commitment like Carol that make the HAABC a successful organization, meeting the needs of the membership.

Thanks Carol for all your work.

#### Denise Elo nominated Andy for a Life Member Award Below is her submission.



Hello I am nominating Andy Ellingsen for a Life Membership with the HAABC.

I have been bookkeeper/ manager with the HACI for nine years and Andy has been one person that has been 100% involved with the managing of all of our five docks here on Cortes. When boats have sunken in while on our docks Andy has found people to help get the boat out of the water and on to shore with little expense to the HACI. He is a great secretary on the Board and has kept all our meetings running smoothly. He has great diplomacy. Andy is always there to fix things or guide me and the wharfinger as to what or where to go to handle a situation. I personally would not have been able to function on this job with out his support for the last nine Both myself and the years. wharfingers appreciate his calmness and support. Thank you.

Denise Elo Bookkeeper/ Manager

Looking back at the 2016 HAABC Seminar I can only say it was a resounding success. The membership of the HAABC showed their support of the organization by making the trip to Prince Rupert at a considerable cost of both time and money. We planned on 60 attendees, we ended up with 100. Thank you to Keri, Tammy, the exhibitors, the HAABC board and membership, Small Craft Harbours, the staff at the Crest Hotel, the North Coast Meeting and Convention Centre, the Lester Centre, and the great people of Prince Rupert for your efforts in making the 19th annual HAABC seminar an event to be remembered!

For the first time in a very long time there has been a big huge turnover in management and staff m in Pacific Coast HAs. Welcome to all of you, don't forget there is a huge support group behind you in the HA community. Don't hesitate to contact your zone director or the HAABC administrator if you have any questions, or post a question on the HAABC email forum. More information can be found at <u>www.haa.bc.ca</u>

### Harbour Management and Staff Updates 2016

#### North Coast Zone

Delkatla Slough HA, Ileah Mattice, Harbour Master

Queen Charlotte Harbour Authority, Dani Lacusta, Harbour Master

#### **Lower Mainland Zone**

Bella Coola Harbour Authority - Drew Kovacic, Harbour Manager

Ladner jHarbour Authority - Brian Staines, Harbour Manager

S'eyem Qwantlen Harbour Authority - Drew Atkins, Manager

Harbour Authority of Squamish - Catherine Lea-Smith, Wharfinger

#### **Sunshine Coast Zone**

Gibson's Landing Harbour Authority - Jim Conway, Harbour Manager

#### North Island Zone

Alert Bay Harbour Authority - Norman Whaddams, Harbour Manager

Port Hardy Harbour Authority - Seaway Ventures, Leah Robinson and Angela Smith

Port McNeill Harbour Authority - Jon French, Harbour Manager

Sayward Harbour Authority Harbour Authority - Lyall Linklalter, Wharfinger

#### **Mid-Island Zone**

Discovery Harbour Authority - Wayne Brownhill, Wharf Attendant

Port Alberni Fisherman's Wharf - Cecelia Addy, Manager Marina Services

#### South Island Zone

Cowichan Bay Fisherman's Wharf - Mark Mercer, Harbour Manager

Sooke Harbour Authority - Seija Laukkanen, Harbour Manager

#### **HAABC Online Survey**

By now you will have received a link to the 2016 HAABC Online Survey. To all those who took the time to complete it, thank you very much. The information we receive is very valuable to both the HAABC and SCH. The time you took to complete it was not wasted. The HAABC board pours over the results and it is a useful tool, not only to determine how we can best help the membership, but also to provide the data we need to obtain the funding we receive to put on the seminar, organize zone meetings, provide relevant training, and to respond to the day to day needs of HAs on the Pacific Coast. If you have not completed the survey yet it will be open until the 15th of March. Please pass this information on to all members of your HA, this is not just for seminar attendees. Follow this link to access the survey. <u>2016 Online Survey</u>. For results of the 2015 survey go to <u>2015 Online Survey</u> Thank you.

#### **Spring Zone Meeting Schedule**

Sunshine Coast - March 10, 2016

Mid Island - May 12, 2016

North Coast - April 27, 2016

North Island - May 5, 2016

Lower Mainland - May 19, 2016 South Island - May 26, 2016

These dates are subject to change. Please pencil into your schedule.

The Pacific Coast Congress of Harbormasters and Port Managers 42nd annual membership conference will be hosted by False Creek Harbour Authority on April 5 - 8, 2016.. As a one-time, special introductory offer, any one person, per facility, from a non-member British Columbia Harbour or Marina may be eligible for a free two-day pass to this exciting conference being held at the Coast Plaza & Suites Hotel in Vancouver, BC! Please contact Mike Loy at 604-733-3625; or Leslie Taylor at 250-339-3970 for more information. Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

A **Pacific Regional Harbour Authority Advisory Committee** meeting was held in Vancouver on Friday, February 26. For information on the PRHAAC and past meeting minutes and agendas go to the SCH website <u>PRHAAC</u>.

#### **CLEAN MARINE BC**

Clean Marine BC is an innovative, voluntary eco-certification program that recognizes marinas, boatyards, and other boating facilities for their implementation of environmental best practices.

There are now 3 Harbour Authorities who have obtained their Clean Marine BC Eco Certification. False Creek HA, 5 anchors; HA of Pender Harbour, 3 anchors at each of 4 facilities they manage; and most recently Okeover HA, 3 anchors. For more information on how your HA can obtain eco-certification go to the Georgia Strait Alliance Website. <u>www.georgiastrait.org/work/cleanmarinebc/</u>