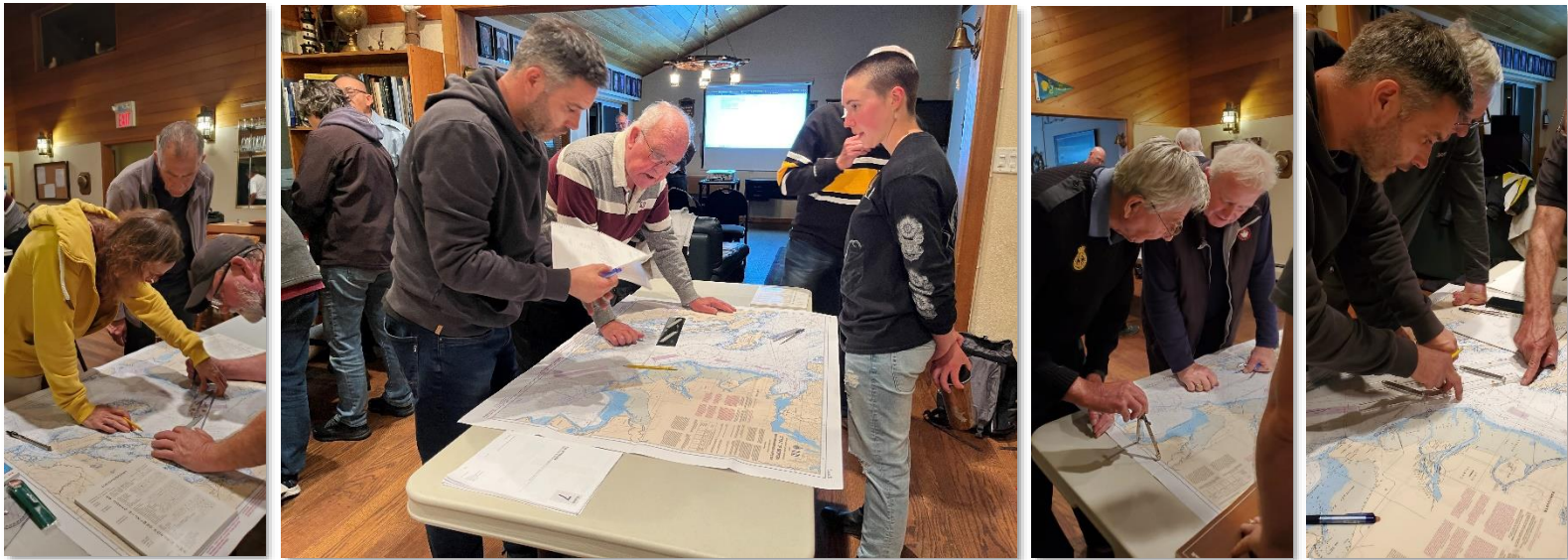




Navigation - Chartwork

In September crewmembers met on Tuesday evenings with practicing chartwork at the Ladner Yacht Club. This training was initiated by crew asking for additional classroom sessions. The idea being, less experienced crew are supported by experienced crew. Self-study is important and required before each session to make it a success. The turnout is great and a lot of information is shared with everyone.



First-Aid Exercises at Delta Lifeboat

On Saturday October 7; an excellent opportunity arose to conduct practical first aid training. St. John Ambulance Training Officer was visiting from Victoria and brought along extensive training materials including CPR/AED mannequins. He conducted 3.5 hours of practical instruction and training. The weather was outstanding, training was done on the dock. Training included repeated sessions of CPR, the use of the newly acquired AED and oxygen theory and practice.



Fraser Lifeboat Side-scan Sonar



Saturday October 14. While departing Steveston for a rendezvous with the Delta, the Fraser Lifeboat was advised by Victoria Traffic that the lateral channel marker buoy S23 sank. This was an excellent opportunity for the crew to work with the Hummingbird side-scan sonar and see it and they were able to locate the buoy. The first attempt was immediately a success. After the exercise with the Delta Lifeboat the crew tried again to locate the buoy. This time a few attempts were needed to locate the buoy. It is essential to proceed at low / idle speed as the sensor is mounted at the transom and the turbulence of the



props obscure the image. In this case the current was really helpful as the crew drifted over the buoy. Before any side-scan sonar sweep is done, the Fraser has to be put in reverse for a short period to clean up the.

Delta Municipal Council Sailing

Saturday October 14. The Delta Lifeboat departed with five members of the Delta Municipal Council as a thank you for their generous support and to show them what the CLI does. The Delta started by deploying the RHIB and taking a dead-head in a Liverpool tow to a shallow area, outside of the shipping lane. This was followed by the Delta taking the Fraser in a



stern tow. This tow was transferred to an alongside tow. The maneuverability and effectiveness of the alongside tow was demonstrated by performing a figure eight as both vessels behaved as one. Then the Delta anchored and the Council had a chance to visit the Fraser. After coffee and some cookies, the Delta weighed anchor and a MOB exercise was performed. This concluded the demonstration and the vessels departed to their stations.

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Port Operations Meeting

The week of the 16th October was a busy with administrative meetings for senior CLI personnel.

On the 17th a port operations meeting was held at the Anvil Centre in New Westminster attended by Port users; Pilots, Fish Safe, Transport Canada, Coast Guard, CLI, among others. Updates on a variety of topics were aired along with many operational concerns. An interesting review on the Pattullo Bridge replacement program and the temporary efforts in place for the navigation channel especially as the old bridge is demolished.

A complete review was presented of the Massey Tunnel replacement, which will be ongoing until 2032. When tunnel sections are sunk in place the river will be closed to all traffic for 48 hours. It is planned that the huge tunnel sections once floated out, will be temporarily moored off Steveston until required.

First Nations Fishing Safety Meeting

CLI has been calling for a meeting with DFO, TC, VPA, Pilots, and First Nations for several years. Such a meeting finally came to fruition on Wednesday 18th October. It was quickly established that everybody's concern was safety. Both for fishers and river traffic. This meeting was the first of hopefully many that will lay the foundation for a deeper understanding and respect between all parties.

Transport Canada advised that they had immediate money available for safety equipment to assist First Nations fishers to comply with requirements. This might include such items as lights and radios. Richard Sparrow from the Musqueam also raised a requirement to train younger fishers with less experience in what is required when fishing in the Fraser, all with safety in mind.

CLI is well placed along with Fish Safe to assist and advice in presenting this training. Tabletop exercise using our excellent models might be a good start. CLI gave a short overview of what service is offered by our volunteers along with a request to be advised when a fishery is announced. Everybody came away from the meeting with good feelings about the future.

At the close Musqueam announced a Chum fishery would probably start on Monday 23rd October during daylight hours and continue until they had reached their quotas. CLI immediately commenced planning and advising crew of the fishery and Delta Lifeboat patrol schedule.

Aboriginal Chum Fishery

A Chum fishery was held on the Fraser river starting on Monday 23rd October through Sunday October 29th except for Friday 27th. The 'Delta Lifeboat' conducted safety patrols each day for a period of 8 1/2 hours for a total of 51 hours. CLI crews are to be thanked for ensuring the Lifeboat was well manned. There were no accidents but 'Delta' was required to give close escort to tugs with barges and 'deepsea's'. There were a few close calls caused by fishing vessels blocking the channel. Upcoming meetings will have to address this problem. While on patrol several deadheads were either marked or towed out of the channel. Also, a destroyed RIB was picked up for disposal ashore which would have otherwise

have remained a hazard to navigation. A sport fishing boat was sighted at anchor under the Alex Fraser bridge – a hazard for transiting traffic. Warrant to move it took the Port patrol boat to finally achieve compliance. All in all, an excellent week held in beautiful fall weather.

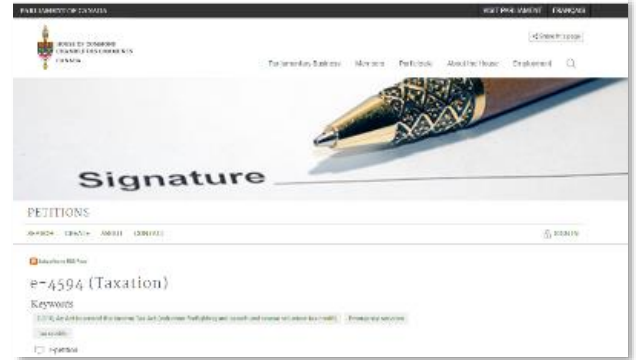




CLI's Growing Relationship with Delta Fire Rescue

Friday October 27th, members from Delta Fire Rescue spent three hours onboard the 'Delta Lifeboat' to learn more about the equipment available on board. A review of the medical equipment and its use was demonstrated along with on hand medical manual. The fire pump was flashed up. Delta Fire had suggestion to enhance in improving its performance and capability.

The MOB and recovery system were also discussed. As well as future first aid training that is in the planning stage along with a call out system between Delta Emergency program and CLI as we strengthen our relationship with the city.



Volunteer Tax Credit Increase Petition

We, the undersigned, **citizens and residents of Canada**, call upon the **Government of Canada** to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06(2) and 118.07(2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

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