

**November 2015** 

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

# LADYSMITH MARITIME SOCIETY 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**THURSDAY, DEC. 3, 2015 1900** (7 pm)

## LMS WELCOME CENTRE

Coffee: 6:30 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

## AGENDA:

- Approve Minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM (read them in members' section on the LMS website)
- Receive and Approve Financial Statements
- Motion to appoint Palmer, Leslie to conduct a Review Engagement of the finances for the 2015-2016 fiscal year
- Receive and Approve Reports
- Motion to amend the LMS Constitution by adding to the purposes the following: "providing education, educational programs and educational materials to the public" (see p.4)
- Election of Directors each candidate (see below) will have 3 minutes to speak
- wine & cheese
- Announcement of successful candidates
- Motion that the signing officers of the Society be any two of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Managing Director and Marina Lead
- Adjournment

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

Nominations for directors of next year's Board closed on November 13. Nine candidates have been nominated for five positions.

The following comments are from each candidate by way of introducing themselves to you. Each candidate will also be given an opportunity to speak at the AGM before voting takes place. The candidates in alphabetical order are:

# (1) Gerry Beltgens

Seconders: Jack Bennett & Rod MacNeil

- Many years of experience on Boards & Committees including Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, community committees
- Years of experience in construction & engineering technology
- I have been around power and sail boats all my life

## (2) Ewan Cameron

Seconders: Brenda Brook & Bryan Livingstone

My adult life has been in an industrial environment as an instrument technician, a professional "trouble shooter" in multimillion dollar operations. I have been a leader in Scouting, supervisor for a crew of electricians & instrument technicians. I took on the role of chairperson for a breakfast/lunch program for people in need

(Nanaimo's 7-10 club). I interacted with City council and secured a venue and took on building a commercial kitchen that daily feeds up to 150 needy people. I was cochair on the Nanaimo Harbour Boaters community to successfully resolve issues with the port authority. As a liveaboard in our marina I put in extensive hours on the re-construction of the marina. What I bring to the executive and membership is broad experience and energy to help direct and maintain a community marine focus to restore and grow on.

# (3) Cliff Fisher

Seconders: Allan Gould & Betty Pearson I have been a resident of Ladysmith for 11 years and during that time I have volunteered extensively for several community organizations as well as for LMS. I was president of the Ladysmith Newcomers' Club, chair of the Ladysmith / Cowichan Valley Regional District task force on Emergency Preparedness and am presently past president of the Ladysmith Festival of Lights.

I have served on the LMS board for several years and would bring extensive knowledge of LMS and its role as a community leader in the Ladysmith harbour. I have held positions as a board member, vice president and festival chair and I assisted in the development of our community marina, as well as in other projects undertaken by the LMS board.

I have been a moorer in our marina for several years and helped out with marina planning and participated in the marina work parties.

As a returning board member, I will bring background knowledge and experience and I will commit to working hard to further the goals of our society.

## (4) David Grimstead

Seconders: Betty Pearson & Stan Sparham I have served on the board at LMS by appointment for the past 2 years. In addition, I have co-ordinated the Tour Boat program since 2012. Currently, I am serving in the role of Treasurer and now seek your support to continue.

Previously I worked as a music educator in Calgary and administrated a Fine Arts program of 1,100 students in a school of 2,200 students. Now retired in Ladysmith, my wife, Cecelia, and I are enjoying boating, our volunteer work and all that the Island has to offer.

# (5) Robert Hogberg

Seconders: John Beames & Jack Bennett

I have been a volunteer in the boat restoration shop for 2 years and have been involved in the restoration of the Sudbury work boat and the Lesley. I have a mechanical background and worked as a mechanical supervisor at the Crofton Pulp and Paper Mill. I retired from the mill as superintendent of all foreshore operations. I have built and owned several boats and enjoy all aspects of boating.

I feel I can bring a balance of skills to the LMS board.

# (6) Dan Lutz

Seconders: Bruce Maclock & Peggy McDonald

An area resident since 2012, I moved to the coast after 30 years with Agriculture Canada in Alberta and in Ontario. Work with the federal government included leading national initiatives in marketing and traceability, representing Canada internationally, and delivering regional programs. Prior to joining the public service, I operated a private company for

Professional skills include five years. strategic planning, change management, financial planning, leadership I am a UBC graduate in marketing. Agricultural Economics.

Through LMS, I obtained the Small Vessel Operators Certificate and have been a Harbour Tour Guide for two years. My wife Susan and I are active in the Cedar Bridge Club and the Nanaimo Curling Club.

The Society needs to continue to be a positive force for the community and the harbour, identifying priorities, expanding activities, and building relationships around common interests.

## (7) Rod MacNeil

Seconders: Bob Hogberg & Allan Gould

- Director Fraser Valley Real Estate Board
- Director Surrey Board of Trade
- President Surrey Community Crime **Prevention Society**

Presently

- Director LMS
- proprietor Homesafe Inspections Ltd
- With my past and present experience I have some knowledge of non profit organizations that may be useful to LMS. For me the past two years as Director have been most rewarding
- In the coming year we should protect and enhance the marina our most valuable asset
- develop and maintain a first class fire and safety program
- form a political action committee for the protection of our harbour
- explore the possibility of purchasing Lot 5
- expand the marina to accommodate small local boats in the summertime
- explore the possibility of obtaining grants to restore the Navy cutter

## (8) Paul Nowlan

Seconders: Jim Phillips & Rod MacNeil After retiring from my job as a planner for the City of Vancouver, my wife and I moved to Ladysmith in January 2014. Reasons for choosing Ladysmith include the warm reception on various visits to the LMS Marina as well as the great sense of community shared by local residents. LMS contributes to the Ladysmith community in many ways and I would like to take part in that.

As a city planner for nearly 25 years, I was involved in policy planning projects such as CityPlan (a long range vision for the city); **Policies** (protecting Lands Industrial industry); and a Jobs and Economy Plan for the downtown area.

Personal interests include sailing hiking.

Past volunteer experience includes: serving on the executive of the Viking Sailing Club (Vancouver, 5 years); and serving on my building Strata Council (Vancouver, 5 years).

# (9) Michael H. Waage

Seconders: David Grimstead & Rob Johnson I have been a self-employed contractor and entrepreneur for my entire career. I have started a variety of businesses from retail to I am very resourceful and service/sales. mechanically minded. I also enjoy technology and am conversant with a variety of programs. I believe I can make qualified decisions in many aspect of pretty much any kind of business or enterprise. presently on a strata board, and have been on others over the years. This has helped me see many areas that can be coordinated so they interact well and appear to be functional. I interact well with all and in one of my positions, was a leader/supervisor

for 5-40 individuals in many states and provinces. I was underbudget and coordinated all their projects in a timely manner.

The officers – President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer – will be decided by the directors from amongst themselves at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of directors after the AGM.

# Ballots and instructions for absentee voting on p. 5

Only those who paid dues for 2015 are "members in good standing" and eligible to vote. Those who paid 2014 dues may pay 2015 dues at AGM and become eligible to vote. Those who have not paid dues since 2013 are no longer members and are not eligible to vote – they may re-apply for membership for the 2016 year.

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#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION

This resolution was approved to take forward to the members at the November 10, 2015 directors meeting

It is proposed to amend the Constitution of LMS to reflect the educational component of our activities. This will further strengthen our position as a not-for-profit organization. We have been advised to do this.

This represents nothing new for LMS. We have always had educational programs, but it was not reflected in the Constitution.

At the AGM on December 3rd, the following Special Resolution will be put forward:

To amend section 2(a) of the Constitution of Ladysmith Maritime Society by adding the following:

"(iii) providing education, educational programs and educational materials to the public."

Section 2(a) will then read:

- 2. The purpose of the Society is to serve the community in the following ways:
  - (a) protecting and promoting Ladysmith's maritime heritage including
    - (i) the development and operation of a maritime museum
    - (ii) fostering expertise in the construction, maintenance, and restoration of heritage boats
    - (iii) providing education, educational programs and educational materials to the public.

A Special Resolution requires approval from 75% of the members who attend the AGM either in person or by mail ballot. Proxies are not permitted.

## ABSENTEE VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

Reproduce the ballots on this page
Cast your votes (no more than 5 X's for directors)
Seal ballots in plain envelope
Place sealed envelope inside a 2<sup>nd</sup> envelope
Print your name & address in the upper lefthand corner of the 2<sup>nd</sup> envelope
Print "BALLOTS" on the back of the envelope
Address to:

LMS

Box 1030

Ladysmith, BC

V9G 1A7
Post envelope in time for it to be received

Once received, your name will be checked against the "members in good standing" list. If OK, the plain envelope will be held for deposit into the ballot box by the scrutineers at the AGM on Dec. 3.

prior to the AGM on Dec. 3, 2015

If you wish to return your ballot by e-mail or fax, we will confirm that you sent the message prior to your ballot being included in the count of votes.

e-mail to: admin@lmsmarina.ca

fax to: 250-245-0108

5 Directors to be elected	mark with X
1. <b>BELTGENS</b> , Gerry	
2. <b>CAMERON</b> , Ewan	
3. <b>FISHER</b> , Cliff	
4. <b>GRIMSTEAD</b> , David	
5. <b>HOGBERG</b> , Robert	
6. <b>LUTZ</b> , Dan	
7. <b>MacNEIL</b> , Rod	
8. NOWLAN, Paul	······
9. <b>WAAGE</b> , Michael	

Ladysmith Maritime Society Ballot – Dec. 3, 2015



Special Resolution to amend the Constitution by adding the following to section 2 (a):

"(iii) providing education, educational programs and educational materials to the public."

I agree
I do not agree

Ladysmith Maritime Society Ballot – Dec. 3, 2015

# 2016 memberships will be on sale at the AGM

**\$20 – single** 

**\$35 – couple** 

**\$50 - family** 

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 26- Ladysmith's Light Up

Dec. 3 – LMS AGM

Dec. 12- Mt. Brenton's Christmas Lights Cruise

0900 2nd Tues. of Dec., Feb., Apr., June., Sept., Nov. - board meeting

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