

CLUB CRUISING 2018

Hello fellow cruisers!! Please refer to the Club Cruising web page as this is where we will be maintaining the Cruising Calendar for 2018. Once again, we encourage members to provide any recommendations on Cruising destinations. Perhaps there is a certain spot that you would like to explore or maybe you are just interested in getting away for a weekend with other club members. Let us know and we would be more than happy to assist and contribute to a fun and enjoyable 2018 Cruising Season. Please reach our Fleet Captain Cruising, Steve Sawyer, cruising@saltspringsailing.ca with any questions or suggestions.

Easter Cruise March 30 – April 2 (three nights)

We are still searching for someone to lead this cruise. Suggestions for Easter Cruise destinations include:

- Winter Cove on Saturna Island
- Conover Cove on Wallace Island
- Telegraph Hbr. on Thetis Island
- Cabbage Island

This will be the first cruise of the 2018 season and an opportunity to embark on a mini shake-down cruise along with fellow boaters. Fleet Captain Racing Douglas Woolcock has suggested he might organize a race between SISC and our Easter Cruise destination which will give both racers and cruisers an opportunity to mingle. More to come from Douglas on this possibility soon.

Round Saltspring Race May 18 – 21 (three to four nights)

Here is an opportunity to free up marina space and get out of Dodge during the very popular and busy Round Saltspring Race. Fleet Captain Cruising Steve and Claudette have offered to lead this excursion. Possible destinations include:

- Portland Island
- Sidney Spit
- Russell Island

Please contact Steve or Claudette if you are interested in joining this Cruise.

Princess Louisa Inlet June 4 – 15

Claudette and Steve will lead this exotic cruising destination and we would love your company. Please reach us if you make it

Open Boat Cruise (towards the end of July)

Rob Denny has expressed an interest in leading an open boat cruise with a few larger boats acting as mother ships. Rob is currently building a new 16' daysailer and is on schedule to have the boat completed (barring any unforeseen events) prior to the end of July so hopefully he will be able to lead this cruise. Details, including possible destinations to follow.

Victoria Sept. 20 – 23

Michael Clarke has offered to lead this cruise with the following itinerary:

- Depart Sept 20 and stay en route at Recip Club in Sidney or RVYC.
- Stay overnight at Causeway Slips in front of the Empress Hotel on Sept 21 and Sept 22. Visit the sites during the days and appies on the dock and dinner at the nearby Union Club.
- Depart for home on Sept 23. More details to follow shortly.

This sound like a whole bunch of fun and could be one of the most memorable cruises for 2018. Please let us know if you are interested. Thanks to Michael for hosting this cruise.

Cruising Destination Suggestions.

What about a cruise designed for kids? Perhaps a trip to Montague Hbr. along with a hike and lunch. Let me know your thoughts and let us plan an enjoyable outing for the young'uns.