

## Anchors Aweigh Cruise May 17-20, 2024

Gale force winds blew through the night but just as the Anchors Aweigh flotilla was ready to leave the winds calmed and 6 boats made their way to Montague Harbour: Karen and Kim Laidlaw on *Nest Egg*; Rob Denny and Nighean Anderson on *Tiara*; Jamie and Lisa Sayer on *Scout*; Pete and Debbie Brouwer on *Switchen to Glide*; Jamie and Alison Pettigrew and their friends Scott and Fannie Oliphant on *Tranquillitas*; and Bernard Lecerf and Ruth Anne MacEachern on *Wind Chaser*. Once everyone had grabbed a mooring buoy, the group gathered onshore for hike about Gray Peninsula.



By the time we'd finished the walk, it was time for Happy Hour. As always, there was a bounty of delicious food, tasty beverages and good conversation.





Saturday morning we cruised over to Pender Island and dropped anchor in Browning Harbour. Despite the best laid plans, we managed to get rained on as we made our way to shore to catch the Lightning Taxi electric bus to the SeaStar Winery. Our enthusiasm wasn't dampened and by the time we arrived at the winery the rain had stopped and the sun was shining brilliantly. In the SeaStar "not so secret garden" we enjoyed fabulous pizza from the Truss Farms Food Truck and sampled a number of interesting wines from the winery.



That evening we gathered on the lawn of the Port Browning Marina for the mandatory Happy Hour.





Sunday dawned sunny and calm. A perfect day for a walk to town to check out the bakery and the bookstore.





We bid farewell to Ruth Anne and Bernard and the rest of us headed to Winter Cove. Everyone was anchored by midafternoon just in time for a lively game of bocce ball. It was Girls vs Boys and sadly, the Boys were victorious winning the series 2-0.



Of course, no cruising day would be complete without Happy Hour and one of those spectacular Gulf Island sunsets. The perfect end to a fun cruise.

