

# GARDEN BAY SAILING CLUB

## Pender Harbour Carol Ships

There were twelve boats that took part in this year's Carol Ship Parade, which was held on 19 December. It was not certain earlier in the day if the parade would take place as the weather forecast was calling for rain, and winds gusting to 25 knots. But the decision was made to go ahead, and the weather gods smiled on all who made the effort.

All the participants were invited to moor at Fisherman's Resort following the parade and seven boats tied up. The party on the dock was filled with the sound of carol singing, and the wind dropped to a whisper. Mulled wine and nibbles were handed around and lots of Christmas Cheer was shared by all.

The custom of awarding a prize to the best dressed boat was once again included in the festivities. Each boat was allowed a single vote which could not include themselves, and ten minutes before the deadline it was a three way tie between Adagio (Bob Fielding) Wings II (Andy Paulus) and Peregrine (David Twentyman). It was only when the final vote was cast that the winner was declared...Wings II. But sadly Andy Paulus had just departed from the dock so was unable to accept the prize of two bottles of wine, which we all enjoyed!! Congratulations Andy, she looked beautiful.

Thanks to Charlie and Bob for organizing this great event and Hearty congratulations to all who participated. Lets keep this tradition alive every year.

## December Saturday Races

The festive season, poor weather, the Carol Ships, etc. all resulted in only one race being attempted in December. It saw Nexus, Starfighter and Peregrine drifting around the start line, but sadly the race had to be abandoned as every vestige of wind disappeared as soon as the race was called!! This seems to be a common theme. After handicaps were taken Nexus was the first to the Pub!!

## Next Pub Meeting

The first Pub Meeting of the New Year will be held on Saturday 17 January. As usual it will take place after the race or in the case of no race being held, then at around 12 noon.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their involvement in the GBSC, and to wish you all a Very Happy New Year.

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