

THE FIFTH ANNUAL
GREAT POTTER YACHTER
NORTHWEST ESCAPE
AND
MESSABOUT



Sept 4 –19, 2007

*“There is nothing – absolutely nothing –
half so much worth doing
as simply messing about in boats.”*

Kenneth Grahame
“The Wind in the Willows”

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission,

should you choose to accept it, is to once again trailer our intrepid sailing vessels to the wilds of the Pacific Northwest to advance the cause of Potterdom and civilization.

To that end,

Have fun and sail safe!

NOTE

While we travel with friends, you sail alone. You are the captain of your vessel.

The enclosed information and charts are for planning and reference only. The GPS coordinates have not been verified and the sailing directions are just to get you pointed in the approximate direction.

To plan your sail, use charts such as #3462 Juan Fuca Strait to Strait of Georgia, #3463 Strait of Georgia, both published by the Canadian Hydrographic Service, and Waterproof Chart #88 Gulf Islands – British Columbia, published by Waterproof Charts, Inc.

You will need a current passport, vehicle, trailer, and boat registration. Firearms are forbidden but a liter of alcoholic beverages is okay.

Cover photo: "the Cut" Telegraph Harbour

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Tues, Sept 4: Depart for Vancouver Island, B.C.

Fri, Sept 7: Ladysmith to Silva Bay, Gabriola Island. Stay in marina.
15 nm, 5+00 hrs

Sat, Sept 8: Silva Bay to Conover Cove, Wallace Island. Probably have to anchor.
16 nm, 5+30 hrs

Sun, Sept 9: Conover Cove to Otter Bay, North Pender Island. Stay in marina.
13 nm, 4+30 hrs

Mon, Sept 10: Layover Otter Bay (For planning only. Two layovers are planned, which
can be taken anywhere as conditions dictate.)

Tues, Sept 11: Otter Bay to Annette Inlet, Prevost Island. Anchor.
6 nm, 2+00 hrs

Wed, Sept 12: Annette Inlet to Ganges, Salt Spring Island. Stay in marina.
5 nm, 2+00 hrs

Thurs, Sept 13: Layover Ganges. (For planning only.)

Fri, Sept 14: Ganges to Montague Harbour, Galiano Island. Stay in marina.
7.5 nm, 2+30 hrs

Sat, Sept 15: Montague Harbour to Clam Bay, Kuper Island. Anchor.
12 nm, 4+00 hrs

Sun, Sept 16: Clam Bay Via Cut and Telegraph Harbour, to Ladysmith.
8 nm, 3+00 hrs

Mon, Sept 17: Depart for home.

Wed, Sept 19: Arrive home.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS
to
Ladysmith, BC

Day 1: Tuesday, Sept 4. Depart for Vancouver Island, British Columbia, via Port Angeles, WA. The total distance to Port Angeles is 860 miles from the Bay area, total driving time approximately 14 hours.

Take I-5 North. Remain over night around Medford, OR, distance 360 miles, driving time approximately 6 hours from the Bay area.

Day 2: Wednesday, Sept 5. Depart for Olympia, WA, distance 380 miles, driving time approximately 6:30 hours from Medford, OR.

Take I-5 North. Recommend taking I-205 North to bypass the confusion when I-5 goes through Portland. OR.

Day 3: Thursday, Sept 6. Depart for Port Angeles, WA, no later than 8:00 A.M. in order to catch one of the two afternoon ferries to Victoria. Distance 120 miles, driving time approximately 2 hours.

Take Highway 101 North at Olympia for Port Angeles.

Ferry Info:

Departure times: 12:45 and 5:15 P.M.

Fare: \$44.00 for vehicle and driver, \$3.50 per foot over 18 feet. Total cost, approximately \$100 to \$110.

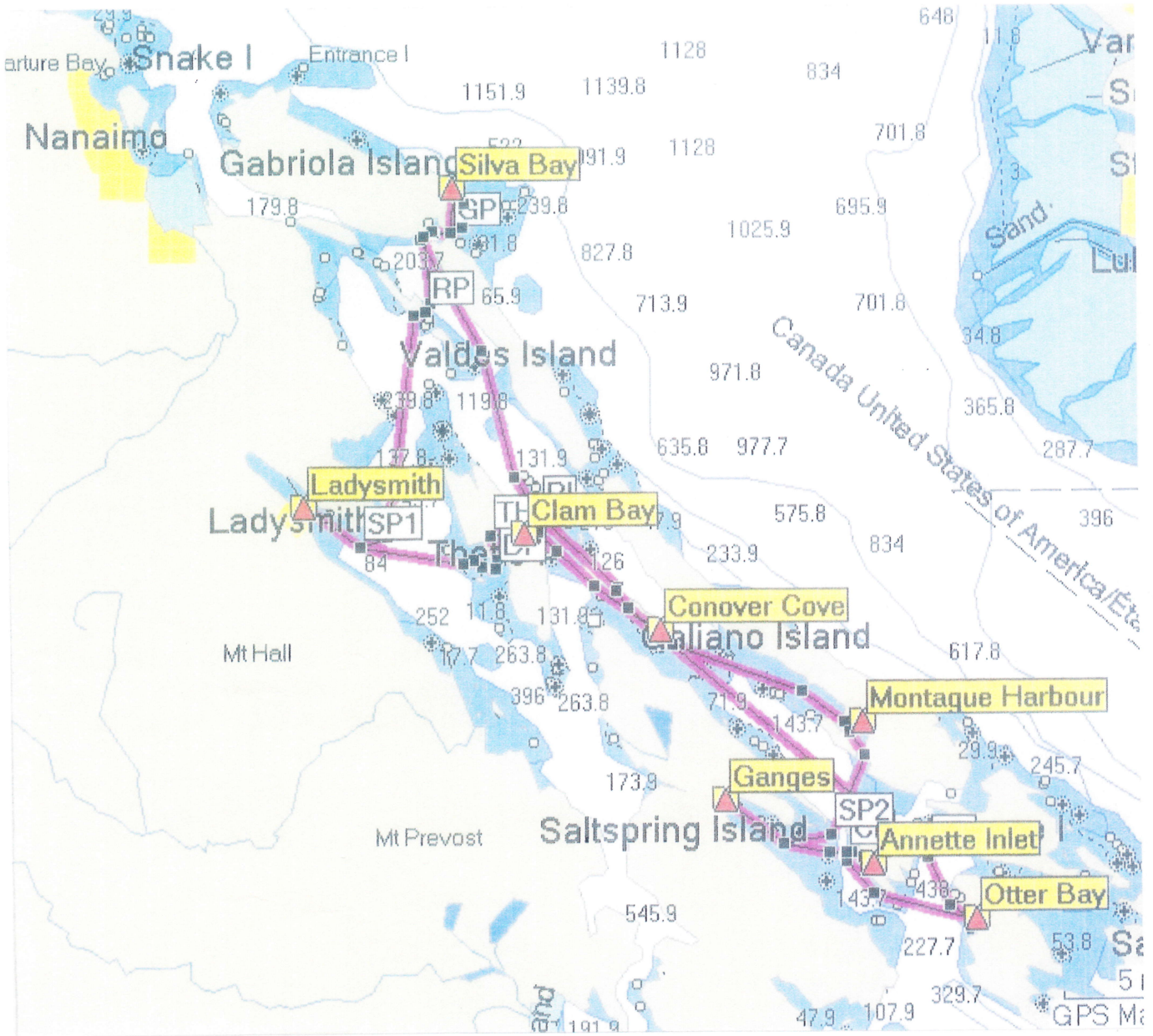
Reservations can be made at least 24 hours in advance; Tel # 360-457-4491

Web site: www.cohoferry.com

From Victoria Ferry Terminal: turn left onto Bellevue St. Go 0.4 miles. Turn left onto Douglas St. Go 2.0 miles towards Cormorant St. Continue on Trans Canada Hwy (Hwy-1) North. Go 53 miles to Ladysmith.

Arrival at Ladysmith: Turn right at main intersection, go 0.1 mile to T-intersection, turn right onto Ludlow Road. Go 0.3 miles to end of road and turn into Fisherman's Wharf parking lot. The Harbour Master's office is at the foot of the parking lot.
Tel # 250-245-7511.

THE ROUTE



Courtesy of Dave Lawson

SAILING DIRECTIONS

Ladysmith to Silva Bay, Gabriola Island

Distance 15 nm / 5+00 hours

Depart Ladysmith no later than 09:00 AM to make slack water in Gabriola Passage at 02:39 PM (13 nm / 4+30 hours).

Clear the harbor and sail ESE to Sharpe Point. Sail Northerly to Ruxton Passage. Clear Ruxton Passage on an Easterly heading and sail Northerly to west end of Gabriola Passage.

Transit Gabriola Passage and turn Northerly, keeping Breakwater Island on right. Sail NW along coast, keeping Sear Island on the right and enter Silva Bay.

Silva Bay Resort and Marina is on the left. Tel: 250-247-8662. VHF 66A.
Web site: www.silvabay.com

Silva Bay to Conover Cove, Wallace Island

Distance 16 nm / 5+30 hours.

Depart Silva Bay no later than 07:15 AM to make slack water in Gabriola Passage at 08:37 AM when flood begins.

Clear harbor to south, and sail South, keeping Sear Island and Breakwater Island on left. Transit Gabriola Passage on Westerly heading and sail Southeasterly down Pylades Channel.

Continue Southeasterly down Trincomali Channel to Wallace Island.

Depending on conditions, either round the northern end of Wallace Island at Chivers Point, or the southern end of Wallace Island at Panther Point to enter Houston Passage. Conover Cove in on the southwestern end of Wallace Island.

Caution advised entering Conover Cove or Princes Bay because of "foul ground."
Mooring maybe available. Expect to anchor. Water is not potable.

Web site: www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/wallace/park_map.html

SAILING DIRECTIONS

Conover Cove to Otter Bay, North Pender Island

Distance 13 nm / 4+30 hours

Clear Conover Cove and sail ESE down Trincomali Channel.
Keep Prevost Island on right. Round Portlock Point and enter Swanson Channel.
Sail SE across Swanson Channel to James Point on North Pender Island.
Sail East into Otter Bay.

Otter Bay Marina is past the ferry terminal, behind the point of land with all the flags.
Tel: 250-629-3579. VHF 66A

Otter Bay to Annette Inlet, Prevost Island

Distance 6 nm / 2+00 hours

Clear marina and sail West across Swanson Channel to Pt Liddell on southeastern tip of Prevost Island. Sail Westerly along southern end of Prevost Island. Make Captain Passage Waypoint and turn East into Annette Inlet. Avoid large kelp patch and rock directly in front of entrance. Favor center channel.

Anchor at southeastern end of Annette Inlet.

Annette Inlet to Ganges, Salt Spring Island

Distance 5 nm / 2+00 hours

Sail West out of Annette Inlet. Once clear of the Inlet, continue sailing West across Captain Passage into Ganges Harbour. Ganges Marina is located at the head of the harbor.

Ganges Marina Tel: 250-537-5242. VHF 68

Web site: <http://ganges-marina.com>

SAILING DIRECTIONS

Ganges to Montague Harbour, Galiano Island

Distance 7.5 nm / 2+30 hours

Clear Marina and sail East for 2 nm. Round the beacon at the mouth of Ganges Harbor and sail ENE to Scott Point. From Scott Point, sail North to cross Trincomali Channel and enter Montague Harbour. Sail NW into Montague Harbour. Montague Harbour Marina is at the northern end of the harbor.

Montague Harbour Marina Tel: 250-539-5733 VHF 66A or VHF 68
Web Site: www.montagueharbour.com

Montague Harbour to Clam Bay, Kuper Island.

Distance 8 nm / 3+00 hours

Clear the northern entrance to Montague Harbour and sail WNW up Trincomali Channel. Depending on conditions, sail to either east or west side of Wallace Island and Secretary Islands.

At northern end of Norway Island, sail WSW into Clam Bay.

Depending on conditions, anchor in southeast part of the bay or near the northwest shore if northwesterlies are blowing down Trincomali Channel.

Tides permitting precede through the "Cut" to Telegraph Harbour Marina, Thetis Island.
Tel: 250-246-9511. VHF 66A
Web site: www.telegraphharbour.com

Clam Bay to Ladysmith, Vancouver Island

Distance 16 nm / 5+20 hours

Transit "Cut" at approx 10:00 AM at high water on Sept 16. Sail SE down Telegraph Harbour to Donckele Point. Sail Westerly across Stuart Channel to Sharpe Point. Sail WNW up Ladysmith Harbour to Ladysmith.

GPS COORDINATES

(dd-mm-ss)

Not verified

Ladysmith

48-59-48 N
123-48-35 W

Sharpe Point (WP)

48-58-40N
123-46-05W

Ruxton Passage

49-05-27N
123-43-08W

Gabriola Passage: West Entrance

49-07-36N
123-43-10W

Gabriola Passage: East Entrance

49-07-44N
123-42-00W

Silva Bay

49-09-03N
123-41-53W

Conover Cove

48-56-08N
123-32-40W

Portlock Point (WP)

48-49-40N
123-20-40W

Otter Bay

48-47-53N
123-18-30W

Captain Passage (WP)

48-49-50N
123-24-20W

Annette Inlet

48-49-30N
123-23-12W

Ganges

48-51-19N
123-29-45W

Scott Point (WP)

48-50-18N
123-25-00W

Montague Harbour

48-53-37N
123-24-08W

Norway Island

48-59-00N
123-37-48W

Clam Bay

48-59-00N
123-38-40W

Telegraph Harbour

48-58-58N
123-40-12W

Donckele Point (WP)

48-58-00 N
123-40-00W

** Alternates **

Port Browning

48-46-30N
123-16-15W

Wallace Point

48-44-10N
123-13-48W

Gabriola Passage, British Columbia Current

7 September 2007 - 12 September 2007

49-07-36 N, 123-43-10 W

Flood: 080 degrees

Ebb: 260 degrees

2007-09-07	00:26	PDT	-0.01 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-07	01:57	PDT	Moonrise	
2007-09-07	04:38	PDT	-4.71 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-07	06:39	PDT	Sunrise	
2007-09-07	07:42	PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-07	11:13	PDT	5.84 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-07	14:39	PDT	-0.01 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-07	18:18	PDT	-5.20 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-07	18:28	PDT	Moonset	
2007-09-07	19:45	PDT	Sunset	
2007-09-07	21:07	PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-07	23:30	PDT	2.90 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-08	01:35	PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-08	03:15	PDT	Moonrise	
2007-09-08	05:43	PDT	-5.11 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-08	06:40	PDT	Sunrise	
2007-09-08	08:37	PDT	0.01 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-08	12:02	PDT	6.20 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-08	15:23	PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-08	18:49	PDT	Moonset	
2007-09-08	19:05	PDT	-5.71 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-08	19:43	PDT	Sunset	
2007-09-08	21:51	PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-09	12:20	AM PDT	3.63 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-09	2:34	AM PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-09	6:29	AM PDT	-5.39 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-09	6:42	AM PDT	Sunrise	
2007-09-09	9:24	AM PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-09	12:43	PM PDT	6.34 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-09	3:59	PM PDT	-0.01 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-09	7:40	PM PDT	Sunset	
2007-09-09	7:46	PM PDT	-5.94 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-09	10:29	PM PDT	0.01 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-10	1:03	AM PDT	4.23 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-10	3:25	AM PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-10	6:43	AM PDT	Sunrise	
2007-09-10	7:05	AM PDT	-5.50 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-10	10:06	AM PDT	0.01 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-10	1:18	PM PDT	6.22 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-10	4:28	PM PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-10	7:38	PM PDT	Sunset	
2007-09-10	8:22	PM PDT	-5.89 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-10	11:02	PM PDT	0.01 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-11	1:42	AM PDT	4.68 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-11	4:11	AM PDT	-0.01 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-11	5:45	AM PDT	New Moon	
2007-09-11	6:45	AM PDT	Sunrise	

2007-09-11	7:34	AM	PDT	-5.48 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-11	10:44	AM	PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-11	1:45	PM	PDT	5.88 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-11	4:52	PM	PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-11	7:36	PM	PDT	Sunset	
2007-09-11	8:47	PM	PDT	-5.65 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-11	11:33	PM	PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-12	2:16	AM	PDT	4.98 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-12	4:55	AM	PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-12	6:46	AM	PDT	Sunrise	
2007-09-12	8:04	AM	PDT	-5.37 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-12	11:21	AM	PDT	0.00 knots	Slack, Flood Begins
2007-09-12	2:06	PM	PDT	5.41 knots	Max Flood
2007-09-12	5:14	PM	PDT	-0.00 knots	Slack, Ebb Begins
2007-09-12	7:34	PM	PDT	Sunset	
2007-09-12	8:51	PM	PDT	-5.42 knots	Max Ebb
2007-09-13	12:02	AM	PDT	0.01 knots	Slack, Flood Begins

Tidal Heights at Fulford Harbour, British Columbia

Available online at <http://www.dairiki.org/tides/monthly.php/ful/2007-09-01>

September 2007

48°46.0'N 123°27.0'W

	Tide		Tide		Tide		Tide	
Time Zone is PDT	Units are feet							
<u>Sat 01 Sep</u>	0225	3.1L	0907	8.8H	1355	6.5L	2006	10.6H
<u>Sun 02 Sep</u>	0317	2.4L	1039	8.8H	1435	7.8L	2027	10.6H
<u>Mon 03 Sep</u>	0411	1.9L	1232	9.1H	1519	8.8L	2050	10.5H
<u>Tue 04 Sep</u>	0512	1.6L	1437	9.6H	1638	9.6L	2118	10.3H
<u>Wed 05 Sep</u>	0617	1.6L	1545	10.1H	1918	9.7L	2158	9.9H
<u>Thu 06 Sep</u>	0724	1.7L	1624	10.3H	2106	9.3L	2314	9.4H
<u>Fri 07 Sep</u>	0825	1.8L	1654	10.4H	2159	8.7L		
<u>Sat 08 Sep</u>	0106	9.0H	0918	2.0L	1721	10.4H	2237	8.0L
<u>Sun 09 Sep</u>	0238	8.8H	1004	2.3L	1745	10.3H	2309	7.2L
<u>Mon 10 Sep</u>	0352	8.7H	1044	2.8L	1805	10.2H	2341	6.5L
<u>Tue 11 Sep</u>	0454	8.7H	1122	3.4L	1824	10.0H		
<u>Wed 12 Sep</u>	0012	5.7L	0551	8.8H	1157	4.2L	1841	9.8H
<u>Thu 13 Sep</u>	0043	5.0L	0647	8.8H	1234	5.0L	1857	9.6H
<u>Fri 14 Sep</u>	0115	4.3L	0744	8.9H	1312	6.0L	1912	9.5H
<u>Sat 15 Sep</u>	0149	3.8L	0844	9.0H	1353	6.8L	1926	9.3H
<u>Sun 16 Sep</u>	0225	3.4L	0951	9.1H	1439	7.6L	1938	9.2H
<u>Mon 17 Sep</u>	0305	3.1L	1107	9.2H	1537	8.3L	1949	9.0H
<u>Tue 18 Sep</u>	0350	3.0L	1237	9.3H	1710	8.7L	1958	8.9H
<u>Wed 19 Sep</u>	0444	3.0L	1403	9.6H				
<u>Thu 20 Sep</u>	0547	2.9L	1504	9.8H				
<u>Fri 21 Sep</u>	0653	2.8L	1544	9.9H	2144	8.3L	2237	8.3H
<u>Sat 22 Sep</u>	0753	2.6L	1613	10.0H	2146	7.9L		
<u>Sun 23 Sep</u>	0049	8.2H	0845	2.5L	1636	10.0H	2206	7.2L
<u>Mon 24 Sep</u>	0224	8.4H	0931	2.7L	1656	10.0H	2231	6.2L
<u>Tue 25 Sep</u>	0343	8.6H	1014	3.1L	1715	9.9H	2303	5.0L
<u>Wed 26 Sep</u>	0454	8.9H	1055	4.0L	1733	9.9H	2338	3.8L
<u>Thu 27 Sep</u>	0601	9.3H	1136	5.0L	1751	10.0H		
<u>Fri 28 Sep</u>	0018	2.6L	0709	9.5H	1218	6.2L	1810	10.2H
<u>Sat 29 Sep</u>	0101	1.6L	0819	9.7H	1303	7.4L	1829	10.3H
<u>Sun 30 Sep</u>	0148	1.0L	0934	9.9H	1351	8.4L	1851	10.3H

DATES, PLACES, & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Please leave the extra copies of “Dates, Places, & Telephone Numbers” and “Emergency Contacts” with your primary contact. This itinerary may change as conditions dictate but it gives them a place and people to start calling if they need to contact you.

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Day 14: Monday Sept 17. Depart Ladysmith for points south. Arrive home Wednesday or Thursday.