The Fall 2010 Rendezvous at Ganges was another success! There were 56 vessels at the docks, a couple more at anchor and several members attended without their vessels. Martin and Terry did a good job of fitting the boats in like sardines. The "SS Master" attended and gave tours of their ship to people that asked.

The weather was quite variable. Despite some wind and showers on Friday members visited and chatted (camaraderie happened) on the dock between showers.

The WWBA apparel was set up inside the registration boat – to keep it dry. Many purchases were made and Mary Ann was happy with the response. Hats and some sizes in the shirts were sold out.

Saturday was beautiful and sunny with many people walking the docks visiting and viewing our vessels. Some musicians played on the dock for awhile and many members commented that they liked the music that the Barley Bros. played. During the meeting the sky threatened, but it didn't rain on the pot luck. We had time to clean up and visit on the dock for awhile before the sky opened up and it poured.

The pot luck was excellent as usual – I am always amazed at the variety of dishes and how there seems to be a good mix of salads, entrees, and deserts without any pre-organizing. The food was laid out on the hatch of "Penelope Isle" + another couple of tables on the dock; our members and their guests formed a very long line up to access the food and then found places along the dock to put chairs or just sit on the tie up rails to enjoy the selection of delights. There was more than enough for everyone.

The 'swap meet' was ok – It was too wet to put lists and items out on Friday, but still some treasures were exchanged on Saturday before the pot luck. Several items remained unsold. When we do this the next time hopefully we won't be rained out.

Although it was a bit foggy on Sunday morning the sail past seemed to go well with "SS Master" in the lead. I noticed a lot of cameras out - there are probably some good pictures...

Thanks to SSHA for making room for us, to the merchants of Ganges for welcoming us and providing gift certificates, and to Martin Milner for organizing it all. A special thanks to everyone that pitched in to help when it was needed, and to Jean Racine for hosting the pot luck aboard "Penelope Isle". Thanks to all the WWBA members that attended with or without vessels: it's the members that make these events a success.

We look forward to getting together again at the 2011 Spring Rendezvous at Cowichan.

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