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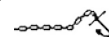
COMMANDER



Here it is the end of February and the beginning of March. Hope you all survived February's cold and snow. Can spring be far behind? I for one am ready for spring to arrive. Now is a good time to start planning to attend some of Tacoma's rendezvous. It's also a good time to plan on getting our boats ready for the cruising season. So it's not a bad idea to check over our boats and equipment after the weather we just went through. Nothing worse than wanting to use the boat and finding those surprise problems.

Take a look at our upcoming class schedule and register for a class. Those things that you will learn may just save your day.

Think about volunteering. It's your club. Helping out is a good way to get involved and enjoy what you can do for the club as well as meet and help other members. It takes all our members help to advance and grow.



Call to Meeting General Meeting

March 26th, 2019 (1830 - 2030)
@ Day Island Yacht Club
University Place

Executive Board Meeting

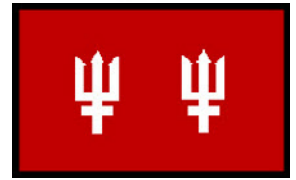
March 5th, 2019 (1900 - 2100)
7017 126th St. East
Puyallup, WA 98373

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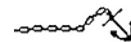
Lt/C Richard Mattox, AP

The Safe Boating 4 Kids class at this year's Seattle Boat Show was once again headed up by P/C Linda Martin of the Everett Sail and Power Squadron. Jackie and I and two other couples started handing out invitations throughout the crowd about 2 hours before the class start time. Jackie and I gave out about 15 invites alone but, the number of kids that showed up at the class was a lot less than we had hoped. I guess some is better than none.

Thanks to Lt Cindy Warren, our 2019 Rendezvous Schedule is complete except for "Need Host" for a couple of rendezvous. Please consider volunteering for one of these openings. It really isn't that hard and you can ask for help from anyone who has previously hosted.

Thanks Stan and Debbie Wolfe for a job well done at our first boating rendezvous of the year at Arabella's, February 22nd through 24th! The weather did not cooperate too well but, there was great food, camaraderie, and walking around Gig Harbor's downtown area is always a hit. And quite a few of us made the trek, more than once, to the boat supply store "Second Wave."

Thank you also goes to our hard working Nomination Committee. Nominations for 2019 – 2020 Bridge, Executive Board, and numerous Chairpersons is in full forward mode. Details of their efforts appear on Page 5. If you have not done so, please consider volunteering to fill one of the vacant positions.



The Safe Boating 4 Kids class crew at the Seattle Boat Show

(Picture provided by Steve Erickson, Dist 16 Official Photographer)



Lt/C Otto Rasmussen, SN, CN

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT



*Lt/C Sandi Carroll, SN
Asst. Education Officer*

The Seamanship Class scheduled to start on February 13th at Genesis Health Care at 07:00 PM was delayed one week do to the inclement weather. It will start on February 20th. Genesis is located at 4755 South 48th Street, Tacoma, WA 98409. Lance Williamson will be instructing. This is a great opportunity for those who have done the ABC Class to enhance your boating knowledge offered in the Seamanship Class!

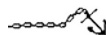
I have a list of members that are interested in the Advanced Piloting Class. If you wish to check this out or attend, give me a call or email and we can discuss it. Gary Ball is doing the AP Class. The class will start on March 14th at Genesis Health Care 4755 South 48th Street, Tacoma, WA 98409. It will wind up on May 2nd, with the open book exam handed out for completion.

The foul weather and impossible traffic kept our speaker from Washington State Parks from making it to our January 22nd meeting at Day Island Yacht Club. The program will be presented at our February 26th meeting. Some important subjects will be presented. Plan on making it to this meeting!!

Keep in mind that Tacoma Power Squadron, AKA "America's Boating Club", has qualified inspectors to do a vessel safety check on your boat. Give our VSC Chairperson Susan Walker a call at (253)-213-2850 and she will get an inspector to make arrangements for your check.

Our next ABC Class will start May 1st at Pt Defiance Boat House in conjunction with Gene Anderson and the Tacoma Metropolitan Parks. There will be another ABC Class there starting on June 3rd with 2 classes a week with the Quiz on June 17th.

Cheers, from your educational department, Otto & Sandi ph-253-537-3838 hm 253-921-3839 cell, email: otto@ottorasmussen.com





The Nominating Committee of the Tacoma Power Squadron

Submits the following slate of Officers for the year 2019 – 2020

Bridge:

Commander	Cdr Richard Mattox, AP	(to be elected)
Executive Officer	Vacant	(to be elected)
Administrative Officer	Lt/C Stanley Wolfe, SN, CN	(to be elected)
Secretary	Lt/C Nancy Ringstad, P	(to be elected)
Treasurer	Lt/C Jon A. Everett, AP	(to be elected)
Squadron Education Officer	P/D/C Otto Rasmussen, SN, CN	(to be elected)
	Lt/C Sandra Carroll, SN	(to be elected)

Executive Board:

1 Year term	P/C Mark Hafterson, AP	(to be elected)
1 Year term	P/C Jackie Mattox, AP	(to be elected)
1 Year term	Karen Jackson	(to be elected)
2 Year term	Aaron Strasser, S	(to be elected)
2 Year term	P/C Tim Craig, P	(to be elected)
3 Year Term	Cathy Reed	(to be elected)
3 Year Term	Gary Dildine, AP	(to be elected)

Auditing Committee:

1 Year term	P/C Jackie Mattox, AP	(to be elected)
2 Year term	Lt/C Sandi Carroll, SN	(to be elected)
3 Year Term	Leah Hafterson, P	(to be elected)

Rules Committee:

1 Year term	P/C Mitch Carroll, SN	(to be elected)
2 Year term	Melinda Mackey	(to be elected)
3 Year term	Bentley Rickmers, AP	(to be elected)

Nominating Committee:

1 Year term	P/C Lance Williamson, P	(to be elected)
2 Year term	P/C Larry Warren, AP	(to be elected)
3 Year term	P/C Mark Hafterson, AP	(to be elected)

Respectfully submitted by:

s/P/C Jackie Mattox, AP

s/P/C Lance Williamson, P

s/P/C Larry Warren, AP



District 16 Spring Conference

Friday, March 8th and
Saturday, March 9th 2019

Bellevue Hilton

PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS

Boehm's Candy Factory tour in Issaquah. Transportation leaves hotel at 1230.

Continue afternoon tour with a trip to view beautiful Snoqualmie Falls.

Cost \$30 (includes admission to Boehm's and transportation)

OR

"Walk on the Wild Side" guided tour led by Susan Tarpley, Everett's own naturalist.

Tour group will carpool to Mercer Slough and begin an interpretative walk of approximately 1.5 hour.

Walk is rated as EASY. Dress for outdoors, wear hiking boots / shoes. Bring your binoculars, water, field guides and explorers inquisitiveness. Will cancel if high winds and very cold temps occur.

Meet in lobby 1215

Cost - One Smile

Group size limited to 15

OR

Shop 'til you drop. Visit Bellevue Square and the Shops at the Bravern. Transportation provided by hotel shuttle.

FRIDAY EVENING

Get ready to party! Wear your comfy clothes to a D16 picnic with adult beverages at a no host bar and entertainment led by Seattle's AO Robert Dahlin.

Join in for an Old Fashioned Cake Walk made new... D16 Wine Walk

Cost \$10 (guaranteed to win a great bottle of wine)

Caution! Laughing and having fun is required.

Sign up for Per-conference Events on PayPal
at www.everettsailandpowersquadron.com

See You There!



March 2019

Tacoma Power Squadron



District 16 Spring Conference

Friday, March 8th - Saturday, March 9th 2019

Bellevue Hilton, 300 112th Ave SE, Bellevue WA 98004

Full Name: _____ Guest/Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Squadron: _____

Email address for registration/payment confirmation: _____

Attending Conference without meals? _____ Is this your first time attending a District Conference _____

Friday Evening 1800 - 2100 (No Host Bar)	Before 15 Feb.	After 15 Feb.	No. People	Total
Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Condiments, Potato salad, House green salad, Dessert	\$30.00	\$33.00	_____	_____
Vegetarian Garden Burger	\$30.00	\$33.00	_____	_____
Saturday (Breakfast on Your Own)				
Saturday Lunch 1200 - 1300				
Soup du jour, Season greens with bacon bits, Mushrooms, Shredded cheddar cheese, Cucumbers, Tomatoes, Hard boiled egg, Diced turkey, Diced chicken, Rolls & Dessert	\$28.00	\$30.00	_____	_____
Saturday Evening Banquet 1800 - 2130 (No Host Bar)				
All dinners include Herbed roasted potatoes, Season Vegetable, Rolls, Tiramisu, Coffee/Tea				
Salmon, Soy ginger glaze	\$42.00	\$45.00	_____	_____
Pork loin, Dijon mustard sauce	\$42.00	\$45.00	_____	_____
Three Cheese Manicotti, Roasted Tomato Coulis	\$42.00	\$45.00	_____	_____
			Number of People	Total
			_____	\$ _____

Do you have any food allergies? _____

Hotel Reservations for Bellevue Hilton 300 112th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA 98004 ~ 1-800-643-7907

Must be made by 6th February 2019 to guarantee a room. Use Group Code: D16 CI for the conference rate.

Room rate is \$119.00 per night plus 14.4% tax. After 6th February, rooms are reserved as space available.

The Bellevue Hilton is Pet-friendly

Make all checks payable to Everett Sail and Power Squadron (ESPS) Mail registration to Susan Tarpley, 13423 51st Ave. West Edmonds, WA 98026

You may also pay for meals by PayPal at www.everettsailandpowersquadron.com

(Go to website menu for registration form)





District 16 Educational Seminar/ Incoming Officers Meeting

Saturday, 20 April 2019 – 0900 to 1600
116 COAST Hotel, Bellevue, WA
Hosted by District Education Department

The **116 Coast Hotel** located at 625 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004 is the venue for this year's District 16 Educational/ Incoming Officers Meeting. The conference room doors will open at 0830. We ask that you preregister and send a check indicating your lunch selection, which will be catered by the hotel.

For those members driving and planning to stay overnight there will be a special guestroom rate of \$109.00 per night for Friday 19th and 20th. To take advantage of this rate call Shari at 425-709-1102 or email: skimball@coasthotelsusa.com.

Please attend the lunch as we have a food & beverage requirement to cover the cost of the meeting rooms. Choose either of the three lunch selections for \$22:

[] Chef Salad:

Julienne strips of turkey & ham, cheddar & swiss cheese, eggs, peppers and tomatoes with choice of dressing.

Cookies, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted teas.

() Spinach Salad:

Spinach and boiled eggs, mushrooms and red peppers topped with warm bacon vinaigrette.

Cookies, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted Teas.

() Vegetarian Lasagna:

Served with fresh seasonal vegetables and garlic bread.

Cookies, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted Teas.

To register for lunch, send a check for \$22.00 and indicate your lunch preference to P/R/C Trudy Brown, AP, 3220 98th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004-1813, Phone (425) 454 0115. Email: trudyb36@outlook.com

Make checks payable to D-16 ED Seminar.

Need lunch count **by Monday, 15 April.**

Please address any additional questions/comments or suggestion to the agenda to Al Keim, (206) 779-5346 al@keimco.net. or Jim West Ph: 330-495-4442, E-Mail: phnx789@msn.com

The agenda will be distributed separately.

Name: _____ Squadron _____

Email: _____



February 2019 RBAW Report to DIYC

With the state legislature convened the following are some of the items being discussed that are of interest to recreational boating. This is not a complete list and other topics may arise.

Strong support for funding enhancements to the Derelict Vessel Removal Program (DVRP) and increased use of the Vessel Turn-In Incentive Program

The Governor's proposed 2019-21 Capital is very positive for us in that it includes \$5 million to help the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) catch up on the costs of removing some of the biggest and most expensive vessels.

Support consensus recommendations from Southern Resident Killer Whale (SRKW) Task Force, while opposing a \$10 fee 'opt-out' fee on boaters and any 'no-go' zone that is not imposed on all vessels

Partly as a result of our broadcasting our concerns with the \$10 fee on boaters, partly as a result of the more than one-dozen in-office meetings we've held, The Governor-request bill on vessels includes a 7-knot speed restriction on vessels within a half-mile of where Orca Whales are present. The Governor's bill also would restrict boats from being within 400 yards of the whales, in *any* direction. We'd rather see the 400-yard restriction be more focused on what's in front of boaters, and thus we're working with others on a change of that nature.

Road Usage Charge – Ensure There is a Plan for Accommodating Gas Tax-Related Funding Set-asides for recreational boating, off-road vehicle riding, and snowmobiling

Last December, our lobbyist went before the Road Usage Charge Task Force to educate them about the "Recreation Resource Account" money that is connected to the gas tax and how we would *not* want to lose those dollars if the state transitions in the future away from the fuel tax and toward a "RUC." It was very well-received, and RUC Members have established a "hold harmless" approach to funding categories such as this one.

Study of what to do with copper-bottomed paint used on vessels

A study of what to do to reduce the use of copper in paint and in water bodies was a part of **HB 2634** passed in 2018. The study being done by the Department of Ecology will be completed by September 2019 and will lead to some recommendations for the 2020 Legislature.

Oppose any legislation that may arise to exempt the Des Moines and Oak Harbor municipal marinas from state "Aquatic Land Lease" rent payments

We have seen *no* legislation on this front at all! We had seen bills brought forth in both 2017 and 2018 and headed them off. It would be very nice indeed just to have this issue off the table in 2019.

Recreational Boating Association of Washington (RBAW)

This report is published with permission of Past Commodore Day Island Yacht Club Chuck Gay. These reports will keep us updated on the current Washington legislation regarding area boaters.



Dock Street Rendezvous 22-24 March 2019

Hosts Jim & Karen Jackson

Friday: Arrive by boat. Call on Channel 72 for assistance.
Dinner on your own

Saturday:
8:00 am Coffee and donuts on the dock
4:00 pm Bring your own beverage & snack for socializing on the dock
6:00 pm We will dinghy over to Johnny's Dock for dinner

Sunday: Have a good voyage home

Please call dock Street for reservations 253-272-4352
Also call Jim and Karen Jackson 253-537-1308

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Lt Sue Walker, S

**Email: sue98402@gmail.com
Phone: (253-213-2850)
Address: P.O. Box 519
Tacoma, WA 98401**

Susan Walker is our VSC Chairperson, phone number: 253-213-2850. **Please note new email address above.**

Address where the VSC inspectors should send a copy of the inspection reports for recording with USPS National Headquarters
- P.O.Box 519 Tacoma, WA 98401

The VSC inspectors should send Susan copies of inspection forms at this point in time. She will be taking requests for VSC supplies etc. following the Change of Watch, as well as helping organize VSC team events that we may do.

Tacoma Power Squadron 2019 Rendezvous Schedule

Mar 22-24	Dock Street 253-272-4352 Call Marina to make reservation	Karen & Jim Jackson
Apr 12-14	Daffodil	Registration on TYC Website Hagbart (boat) need officers
Apr 26-28	Longbranch	Tim & Linda Craig
May 17-19	Jarrells Cove	Need Hosts "National Wear it Day"
June 21-23	Poulsbo	Registration form/Wake Astern
July 13	Seafair Milk Carton Derby	Green Lake Seattle
July 19-21	Swantown/Lake Fair 360-528-8049 Call Marina to make reservation	Bob & Pam Gunter 10) boats \$5 Reservation Fee
Aug 23-25	Bell Harbor 206-787-3952 Call Marina to make reservation	Mike & Jenna Ashbrook 8) boats \$5 Reservation Fee
Aug 30-Sept 2	Port Orchard Labor Day	Need Hosts 10) boats \$5 Reservation Fee

Any Marina with a phone # means you must call the marina and the host or fleet captain to reserve for the weekend. Please call host if attending a rendezvous for planning purposes. Please consider hosting a rendezvous or helping to host.

Cindy Warren 360-897-8692 c.m.warren-7@hotmail.com

Procedures have been put into place to insure TPS's Defibrillator will be ready and available in case of unforeseen emergencies that might take place on any of our rendezvous. This life saving device will be placed on the current Commander's boat or on the designated Host's boat for all of our future rendezvous.



Arabella's Rendezvous

February 22 – 24, 2019

Hosts P/Lt/C Stan, SN-CN, & Debbie Wolfe

Tacoma Power Squadron gathered at Arabella's Marina February 22-24, 2019. Eight boats attended and several members drove in to say "Hi" and attend the potluck.

The trip into and arrival at the marina was under clear skies and smooth seas - if you were on one of the two boats traveling on Thursday the 21st. Friday, the 22nd, wasn't as pleasant. Building wind and rain greeted some arrivals, but with the typical help provide by all, there were no rough landings. Friday night was dinner on your own.

Saturday morning, in the net shed, hosts Stan and Debbie Wolfe provided homemade Belgian waffles with all the fixings, maple sausages, scrambled eggs, muffins, pop tarts, and fresh fruit along with juices and coffee from the TPS coffee pot. Breakfast was well attended.

Saturday's weather was an improvement over Friday's, and most folks got out and about. Everyone re-assembled for the Saturday evening potluck back in the net shed.

Departure on Sunday morning was greeted with every kind of weather experienced in the Northwest. Some left in a rain and snow mix; the last boat out enjoyed partly sunny skies and a light wind.

Boats and crews:

Misty Christy V - P/D/C Otto (SN-CN), P/R/C Christine (SN), Dan (AP), Lisa and Erica Rasmussen

Sojœen - Brian and Barbara Prudente and Mason Dixon

Got a Boat - Lt Mike and Becky Arrington (S)

Polaris - P/C Pat Lemagie (AP)

Class Sea Lass - P/C Jackie (AP) and Lt/C Richard Mattox (AP)

Sweet Surrender - Linda (S) and P/C Tim Craig (P)

R Lil' Ship - Jenna (P) and P/C Mike Ashbrook (AP)

GreyWolfes' - Debbie and P/Lt/C Stan Wolfe (SN-CN); Carole and Tom Hoime

Land yachts attendees:

Rebecca (S) and Tom Ferree (S)

Barb (AP-IN) and Gary Dildine (AP-IN)

Jim and Karen Jackson



(Pictures provided by Jenna Ashbrook, P)

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Arabella's Rendezvous, February 22-24, 2019



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March 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 1900-2100 Ex. Bd Mtg*	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	15	16
17	18	19 Deadline Wake Astern	20	21 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	22-23 Dist 16 Spring Conference/ Change of Watch	
24 Dock Street Rendezvous	25	26 1830 - 2030 Gen. Mtg @ DIYC	27	28 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	29 * @ Mark Hafterson's 7017 126th St. East Puyallup, WA 98373	30 Hafterson's
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April 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 1900 - 2100 Ex. Bd Mtg *	3	4 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	12	13
14 Daffodil @TYC	15	16 Deadline Wake Astern	17	18 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	19	20 Dist 16 Edcu Seminar
21	22	23 1830 - 2030 Gen. Mtg @ DIYC	24	25 AP Cls @ Genesis Rehab	26	27
28 Longbranch Rendezvous	29	30			* @ Mark Hafterson's 7017 126th St. East Puyallup, WA 98373	

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