



Monthly Newsletter

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The Wake Astern





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Cdr Larry Warren, AP

Here we are in a brand new shiny year. Just what happened to 2017 is beyond me. I'm not even sure where December went. I found myself busy from the first part and then it was gone. For one thing, the old saying "be careful of what you wish for" came true for a lot of us this Christmas. First thing's first. Our Christmas brunch was a great time with lots of people attending, an excellent time to visit and keep in touch with friends and family. Santa was there to see children young and old and thanks to your generosity we gathered many gifts for Bridges, the center for greaving children. My sincere thanks to all who gave so much for the table centerpieces. Be sure to attend the January Cruise-In, we'll have some great door prizes, fun, and food.

Ok, so the rest of my December was a blur, with Santa visiting at many locations and trying to decorate in and out of the house, there never seems to be enough time. With an anticipation of at least 30 people over for Christmas Eve and another crowd on Christmas, everything had to be just right. Well, the scene set, everything is done and the expectation of the big night is high. Fast forward to Christmas Eve. The roast just in the oven and guests arriving in a few hours, we notice light snow falling outside and of course say, "oh look a white Christmas!" Within hours we're getting phone calls of cancelations because of the snow. Sending a text to all our guests that if you're not comfortable coming down our very steep hill, just park at the top, and we'll get you in the jeep. Well, it was a lovely evening, and we did go and bring one couple in, but four couples could not get their cars out, and now we're a bed and breakfast for eight guests. I didn't know we had so many blankets and pillows. Everyone made it out by Christmas afternoon with the help of a tow. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our Christmas dinner; no one was coming or going without a four-wheel drive vehicle. We'll attempt Christmas dinner later this month and see how that goes. Hope your Holidays were a little less hectic and a Happy new year to all!

Call to Meeting General Meeting

January 23rd, 2018 (1830 - 2030)
Day Island Yacht Club
University Place

Executive Board Meeting January 9th, 2018 (1900 - 2100) 9515 198th Ave. E. Bonney Lake, WA 98391

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hope everyone had a great Christmas. Jackie & I rode the bus to Spokane to spend the holidays with our son and his family. Had a great time, a white Christmas, but glad to be back home where the temperature is above freezing.

January looks to be a very busy month. Starting Tuesday, January 9th, our monthly Executive Board Meeting, followed by our annual Cruise-In at Point Ruston on Saturday, January 20th (details for this event are included in this edition of The Wake Astern). Next on the list is our General Meeting at DIYC on

January 23rd, 2018. Finishing out the month, the Seattle Boat Show takes place on January 26th thru February 3rd.

Our first boat outing happens February 23rd to 25th at Arabella's Marina in Gig Harbor. I'll be glad to get out on the water again.



January 20th, 2018

P/C Jackie Mattox, AP

The Century Apartments Cruise-In will be happening On January 20th, 2018. The party room at Century Apartments is reserved from 1430 until 2100 with a great full kitchen. Because there is limited seating, you might want to bring a folding chair. We'll start out with appetizers until our meal at 1800. The theme for our dinner will be soups, stews, and chilies, along with salads, bread, and desserts. The Squadron will provide bowls, plates, utensils, cups, and coffee. Please decide what you would like to bring and email or call Jackie Mattox or Cindy Warren. If you come early take a stroll along the Water Walk Esplanade, visit the Asarco Copper Smelter Museum, or take in a movie. There are also numerous restaurants such as Two Town Café, Wild Fin, Stack 571 Burger and Whiskey Bar, The Jewel Box, Dulce Si Italian Bakery and Café, and Farrelli's Pizza.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE PLEASE CALL JACKIE'S CELL PHONE 253-732-2264 SO WE CAN LET YOU IN.

If you are planning to attend, please call or e-mail Cindy & Larry Warren, 360-897-8692, <u>c.m.warren-7@hotmail.com</u> or Jackie & Richard Mattox, 253-581-1732, or rgeezers@comcast.net.

Closing date for articles is the twelfth (12th) day of each month. Please direct all articles to the Editor. E-mail to: ricque0602@comcast.net, Mail to: 5105 Grand Loop, Apt # 811, Tacoma, WA 98407. Telephone: (253) 581-1732. Please submit member address and other data changes to the Tacoma Power Squadron Secretary.

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Lt/C Otto Rasmussen, SN, CN Education Officer

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT







Lt/C Sandi Carroll, SN Asst. Education Officer

The Seamanship Class took the exam on December 14th at T.Y.C. I will be doing the exam with a few students on December 21st, to complete the class. Then we await the grading results from our National Headquarters.

We take a short holiday break and then get classes underway. The Weather Class by Stan Wolfe, JN-CN will start at Tacoma Yacht Club on Thursday, January 25, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Burgee Room. If you have an interest in this class, please contact me so that adequate materials can be ordered.

Next on our Educational agenda is an ABC Basic Boating Class set to start on Wednesday February 07, 2018 at Genesis Health Care (Orchard Park Health & Rehab)- 4755 South 48th Street Tacoma WA 98409 at 7:00 PM. This class follows right behind the Seattle Boat Show for those that sign up for a class in our area at the show.

On Thursday February 22, 2018 we will start a Piloting Class at Genesis Health Care at 7:00 PM. This will be instructed by Gary Ball, JN who did this class for Tacoma last Spring. Again if you have an interest in the Piloting Class contact me so we can get materials covered.

I am still looking for volunteers willing to help instruct members and fellow boaters in on the water boat handling. We get requests for instruction in regard to departing, docking and close quarter handling. In general slow speed boat maneuvering. If you could give us a hand, please let me know.

We need a host for the ABC Class that starts February 07, 2018. There are 4 instruction sessions and the exam. A total of 5 meetings. The host would assist the presenter with the computer-Power Point set up if needed, go over the prior week's home work answers, and turn the class over to the presenter for that evening's class. It's not required for the host to stay for the entire instruction session. Lt Brenda Williamson has business travel at this February time frame and will need someone to cover when she is out of town. If you are able to help, please contact Otto or Brenda.

We hope all have had a great holiday season and wish good cheer to all, Otto & Sandi ph-253-537-3838 hm 253-921-3839 cell, email otto@ottorasmussen.com





Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the Friends...



Come to Arabellas!

February 23-25, 2018 By Lt Stan & Debbie Wolfe

Attend the first boating activity of the new year arriving Friday, February 23rd and departing Sunday the 25th. Bring your boat or your land yacht, either way let your hosts Stan and Debbie Wolfe know. Give them a call at 253-948-6101 or send e-mail to wolfesd@comcast.net. If attending by boat, call to make your reservation directly with the marina at 253-851-1793. There are spaces for eight boats so make those calls soon.

What to do in Gig Harbor? Beside attending the TPS activities listed below, there are lots of antique shops, consignment clothing stores, and a couple of adult beverage shops in the harbor area. A quick bus ride can move you uptown to more traditional shopping.

TPS Activites:

Friday: 1:00 PM Check-in; dinner on your own.

Saturday: 8:30 – 10:30 AM Waffle breakfast compliments of your hosts in the net shed;

10:30 AM - 5:00 PM Jig saw puzzles, coffee, chit chat;

5:30 - 8:30 PM Pot luck dinner in the net shed;

Noon Safely voyage home! Sunday:

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.

RBAW Recreational Boating Association of Washington **RBAW Key 2018 Legislative Priorities**



- Enact 2017-19 Capital Budget & Retain Funding Allocations for Recreational Boating and Outdoor Recreation Grant Programs. RBAW joins stakeholders throughout the state in urging the Legislature to enact a \$4.2 billion, 2017-19 Capital Budget
- Support legislative efforts to re-establish a tourism marketing program at the state level including a strong focus on outdoor recreation investments. While RBAW will strongly support tourism marketing legislation, it will seek to ensure that tourism marketing investments put a strong focus on the \$4 billion-a-year recreational boating sector
- Oppose pending legislation to exempt the Des Moines and Oak Harbor municipal marinas from state "Aquatic Land Lease" rent payments. RBAW, joined by the Northwest Marine Trade Alliance (NMTA) and state agencies such as the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO), will continue to express significant concerns with this legislation, introduced in 2017
- Big Tent Outdoor Recreation Coalition Establishment of Outdoor Recreation Caucus. RBAW is a member of the "Big Tent" and continues to support and contribute to its efforts to raise the profile of the outdoor recreation sector
- 'Road Usage Charge' Study & Pilot Efforts Ensure There is an Awareness of, and Plan for, Impacts to Non-Highway Tax Funding Set-Asides. RBAW is tracking the work of a legislatively-directed "Road Usage Charge" Task Force and will work to educate key legislators on the implications of ultimately ramping the state's fuel tax down and out in favor of a Road Usage Charge that is miles-driven-based. If and when that happens, there must be statutory action to preserve funding for the Boating Facilities Program, which currently receives its monies from non-highway fuel purchases by boaters.

RBAW Key 2018 Regulatory Priorities

- No Discharge Zone (NDZ) Proposal by the Department of Ecology (DOE). RBAW and other members of the "Marine Alliance" continue to strongly oppose the establishment of an NDZ that would cover the entirety of the Puget Sound basin.
- Washington State Labor & Industries' Adoption of a National Electric Code (NEC) Standard to Apply to Ground-Fault Leakage at Marina Docks. RBAW joins NMTA in urging that a 100 milli-amp (mA) ground-fault leakage standard (not 30 mA as in the newest 2017 federal codes) be designated by L&I for all statewide electrical inspectors.
- Aquatic Lands Lease Process with Department of Natural Resources (DNR). RBAW will continue to be a strong advocate of its Yacht Clubs and boating clubs that operate marinas on DNR aquatic lands and are subject to the agency's leasing and leaserenewal requirements.

PC Chuck Gay, RBAW Secretary and Delegate.



9 - 11 March 2018

USPS® District 16 Spring Conference and Change of Watch

Come join the Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron as we host YOUR District 16 **Spring Conference** and celebrate the **Change of Watch**.

Nestled where the Salish Sea surrounds high cliffs, rocky beaches, lush green fields, and majestic pine and hemlock forests is the town of **Oak Harbor** on **Whidbey Island**, protected by the Naval Air Station, home to honored service men and women, and where hospitality is unsurpassed.

This two-day event is on 9 and 10 March, 2018. Activities will be at our world-class Whidbey Golf and Country Club and at Best Western Plus conference center, which is also offering accommodations at a special rate. Both are in Oak Harbor.

On Friday, 9 March, come early and enjoy one of three tours being offered to show you a bit of our lovely Whidbey Island surrounding areas.

- Wineries and Distillery Tour
- Penn Cove Shellfish Farm
- Shopping Spree—at Anacortes, across the northern end bridges, on Fidalgo Island. (Quilting, knitting, antiques, and fashion shops. (Also a marine hardware store, boat builder, and West Marine.)

Gourmet offerings begin Friday evening at the Reception and continue through the Banquet on Saturday evening, both at the Whidbey Golf and Country Club, an easy 3.2 miles from the Best Western Plus Hotel. Map and driving instructions will be available during registration at the Best Western Plus Hotel Friday evening.

Early Bird Discount Deadline:

Meals and Activities if you sign up by February 9. Hotel reservation by January 25.

You won't want to miss the changing of the guard and the great opportunity to visit old Squadron friends, or meet new acquaintances who can turn into life-long friends.

Talk boating

Talk safety Come join us. Talk fun.







HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

For BEST RATES -MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS by JANUARY 26, 2018

Best Western Plus in Oak Harbor is located at 33175 State Route 20, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. Call the Hotel at 360-679-4567 to reserve your room. Please call as soon as possible, but <u>before</u> 26 January 2018, to ensure a room at the Squadron rate.

Reservations received by the Hotel after 26 January 2018 will be provided on a space available basis at prevailing rates.

Fifteen (15) standard SINGLE KING rooms have been reserved at \$115.99 (plus prevailing city and state taxes) and thirty-five (35) standard DOUBLE QUEEN rooms at \$125.99 (plus prevailing city and state taxes). Currently, taxes total 10.7%.

The room rates INCLUDE A COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST.



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

The Registration Form is available on the District Website (www.uspsd16.org) as well as included in this information. Please send the completed Registration Form along with your check Made payable to: Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron (DPSPS)

Mail to: Leah Hofer 850-490-7930

447 Koontz Road Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Early Bird prices apply ONLY to checks RECEIVED by 9 February. Please ensure you get the best price possible and mail early.

We hope to see you at this action-packed event and that you'll take the opportunity to come early, see the sites, and spend some time getting to know this area of our great State of WA.



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USPS-D16 » Spring Conference & Change of Watch « 9-11 March 2018 REGISTRATION FORM

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	Activity	•	After 9th Feb- No. of People To	tal Cost
Friday Afternoon- Special Events	Tour of the Penn CoveShellfish Farm (Maximum 25 people)	FREE	FREE	
	Winery and Distillery visit	\$25	\$25	
	Shopping tour in Anacortes (on your own)			
Friday Evening	Registration – 1600 – 1800	@ Best Weste	rn Plus Hotel	
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Friday Night	and Cold Hors d'oeuvres@ Whidbey Golf Club	\$23	\$30	
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Saturday Lunch	Lunch 1200 - 1300			
Box Lunches	Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad	\$20	\$25	
	Italian Focaccia Sandwich	\$20	\$25	
	Thai Vegetable Wrap	\$20	\$25	
	Seafood Louie Salad	\$20	\$25	
*also select ONE	* Fresh Fruit			
option of a side	* Potato Chips			
	*Hummus w/Pita			
	*Smoked Salmon Chowder			
	(all lunches include a Lemon	Berry	Crumb Bar)	
Saturday Evening Social	No Host Bar 1800 – 1900Banquet 1800 - 2100			
Dinner - Your	Roasted Half Chicken	\$30	\$35	
Choice	Prime Rib Au Jus	\$40	\$45	
	Portabella Mushroom Ravioli	\$30	\$35	
Optional Dessert(circle One)	Whidbey Ice Cream SundaeL- emon Cake	\$5	\$7	
			Totals \$	

Mail with your check (in US funds) made to Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron (DPSPS) to:
Leah Hofer, 447 Koontz Road, Oak Harbor, WA 98277
Questions? Contact Karen Nelson 360-320-3803 or Knelson2007@gmail.com



Whidbey Charm

USPS® District 16

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Arrive early on Friday, 9 March, and select one of the three tours available for your enjoyment, or tour on your own to explore Oak Harbor's streets lined with Garry Oaks and see adorable old town on Pioneer Street next to the water, on beautiful Oak Harbor, or head further south to historic Coupeville, Fort Casey State Park, quaint Langley, or all the way to the tip of the island at Clinton. Or head just north to the State's most often visited State Park...Deception Pass State Park and the Deception Pass bridges. We have a lot to see, and it's all wonderful!

Organized Tours:

Wineries and Distilleries of Whidbey Island: Take a mini-bus to visit 3 wineries and 1 distillery. The selected wineries produce popular wines and have received 5 stars ranking by the TripAdvisor site. The distillery is a family-owned facility that uses local berries to make liqueurs. The distillery is a recognized producer of some of the finest spirits in the world. Their Blackberry Liqueur holds a 98 rating by the Beverage Testing Institute making it the highest rated spirit of any kind produced in North America.

The cost of the tour is \$25 per person to cover the cost of transportation. Some of the wineries charge a fee for wine tasting, averaging from \$6 - \$10; however, often they apply that cost to any wine purchased. Check at each winery for their policy. The tour bus will depart the Hotel at 1300.

Minimum participation required is 25 persons.

- Penn Cove Shellfish Farm: For a tour, drive or car pool to Coupeville (south on Route 20, left at the traffic light into town, to Front Street. Turn right to the historic Warf and join others to take a boat ride on one of the farm's work boats to the floats and manufacturing vessel. The visit will be guided by a Farm staff supervisor. A maximum of 25 people can be accommodated. The boat will leave the Coupeville Wharf Dock at 1400.
- 3) <u>Shopping trip</u>: Drive North, crossing the Deception Pass bridges to Anacortes (you'll head north on Route 20, turning left where 20 makes a T). Join members of the DPSPS in a shopping spree of knitting, quilting, antique, and fashion shops.



MEAL SELECTIONS:

- <u>Friday Evening</u>: Hot and Cold Hor d'oeuvres Cocktail meatballs, Battered shrimp, Mini quiche Lorraine, Caprese Bruschetta, Deli Wraps and assorted beverages.
- <u>Saturday Breakfast</u>: On your own OR if staying at the Best Western Plus Hotel complimentary breakfast included.
- Saturday Lunch (box lunches)

Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad -

(Romaine/Caesar Dressing/Grilled Chicken/Croutons /Lemon/Parmesan)

<u>Italian Focaccia Sandwich</u> –

(Salami/Roasted Turkey/Prosciutto/Provolone/Lettuce/Sundried Tomato/Aioli/Peppers/Balsamic)

Thai Vegetable Wrap –

(Cabbage/Lettuce/Carrot/Onion/Edamame/Cucumber/Red Peppers/Cilantro/Peanut Soy Vinaigrette)

Seafood Louie Salad -

(Shrimp/Dungeness Crab/Egg/Black Olive/Tomato/Red Onion/Cucumber/Lemon/Fresh Greens/Thousand Island Dressing)

Includes a choice of 1 selection: Fresh fruit – Potato chips – Hummus w/Pita – or Smoked Salmon Chowder

** All boxed lunches include a Lemon Berry Crumb Bar **

Saturday Dinner:

Roasted Chicken -

(Roasted half lemon garlic herb Chicken – classic dish done superbly, Mushroom Risotto, Salad)

Prime Rib Au Jus -

(Slow-roasted 10 oz. slice of seasoned goodness)

Portabella Mushroom Ravioli -

(With Sundried tomato cream sauce, caramelized onions, peas, and Smoked Gouda)

Dessert optional – Whidbey Island Ice Cream Sundae or Lemon Cake



Tacoma Power Squadron 2018 Rendezvous Schedule

January 20 Century Apartments Cruise-In Jackie & Richard Mattox

"Call to confirm for food & attendance" 253-732-2264

Cindy & Larry Warren

360-897-8692

(8 boats)

February 23-25 Arabella's Stan & Debbie Wolfe

253-851-1793

Call Marina to make reservation

March 16-18 Dock Street Need Hosts 253-272-4352 (8 boats)

Call Marina to make reservation

April 6-8 Longbranch Need Hosts

April 13-15 Daffodil Registration on TYC Wedsite
Need Parade Boat & Hosts

May 25-28 Swantown Need Hosts 360-528-8049 (12 boats)

360-528-8049
Call Marina to make reservation

June 22-24 Poulsbo (See registration form in

future Wake Astern)

August 31- Port Orchard Marina hasn't confirmed

September 3 (TBD)



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.

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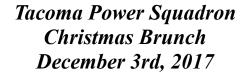


























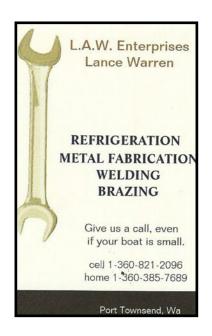








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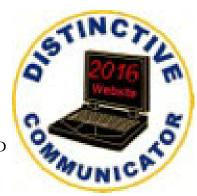


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