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**COMMANDER**



*Cdr Richard Mattox, AP*

**H**appy New Year Everyone. January 2020 looks to be a very busy and exciting time. Back to our regular schedule, the Executive Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting happen on the second (January 14th) and fourth (January 28th) Tuesdays, respectively. Additionally, our annual Cruise-In will take place at the Day Island Yacht Club on Saturday, January 25th, from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Lots of food, games, and camaraderie to be shared by all. Details about the Cruise-In will be sent out after the Executive Board Meeting.

If you still have some free time left, you might want to venture north to Seattle for the annual Boat Show at Century Link Field Event Center going on from Friday, January 24th to Saturday, February 1st, 2020. If you have not signed up to work at the District 16 America's Boating Club booth, be sure to stop by and say hello to those members there.

Our Nomination Committee will soon be looking to fill Bridge and Executive Board positions for the Tacoma Power Squadron starting April 2020 through March 2021. When you are contacted, please give this opportunity some serious thought. We are a volunteer organization and giving back your time to help keep this vital club stay afloat is paramount. You may feel that holding one of these jobs is beyond your comfort zone, and truthfully I felt the same way. But 8 months later I'm still here and thankful that I had the opportunity to contribute my time to this great club. I value each and everyone of our members. Without you, there would be no America's Boating Club, "Tacoma and South Puget Sound".

In closing, the General Membership Meeting on January 28th will be a Spaghetti Feed. All you need to bring is your plate, eating utensils, and a hardy appetite. 🍝🍴



Apprentice Member Mason displaying his USPS Poster Contest entree  
(Picture provided by Lt Cindy Warren, AP)

**Call to Meeting  
General Meeting**

**January 28th, 2020 (6:30 - 8:30 PM)**  
**Day Island Yacht Club**  
**University Place**  
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**Executive Board Meeting**  
**January 14th, 2020 (7:00 - 9:00 PM)**  
**Genesis Rehab Center**  
**4755 South 48th Street**

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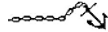
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## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



*Lt/C Larry Warren. AP*

**W**elcome, everyone, to the brand-New Year 2020. Seems almost impossible to think that some of our parents saw the 1920s come and go. Think of all the historical events between, both good and bad, and it will boggle your mind. Not wanting to dwell on the past, but a lot of great things came to us during those one hundred years. In fact, the United States Power Squadron was formed in 1914. It took a hundred years to evolve into "Americas Boating Club." A great accomplishment and is continually updating and changing to become the Nations most respected and followed boating club anywhere. As members of America's Boating Club, Tacoma and South Puget Sound, we have a rich tradition of teaching, civic service, and camaraderie throughout Tacoma's 81 years in existence. It is my hope for this New Year we see both older members and newer members alike come together to keep our squadron robust, alive, and active. Happy New Year, and I hope to see you at a meeting, rendezvous, or some other event. 

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- \* **ENGAGE with Boating Friends**
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Address: P.O. Box 519**

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 inspection reports to Sue Walker, P.O. Box 519 Tacoma, WA 98401. She will also be taking requests for VSC supplies etc. as well as helping organize VSC team events that we may do.

# ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT



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Lt/C Stan Wolfe, SN-CN

New Year's greetings from your Administrative Officer!

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and welcome to the New Year! The Cruise-In will be Saturday, January 25, 2020 at Day Island Yacht Club. It will be potluck with the theme being soups and stews. I hope to have the tentative rendezvous schedule available at the Cruise-In so folks can start planning. Our first general meeting for 2020 will be a few days later on January 28, same location.

The hold on the DAN Boater affiliation with America's Boating Club has ended. It is now officially implemented January 1, 2020. As previously reported, United States Power Squadrons has partnered with DAN Boater to offer worldwide travel safety benefits for all current members and their families. Get full details including updated opt-out information at [danboater.org/abc](http://danboater.org/abc). To decline these benefits, primary active members should go to the USPS webpage (<https://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/tools/myprofile.cgi>), log in to their Member Profile, scroll down to "Receive DAN Boater Benefits" and click "No." To accept these free benefits, you don't need to do a thing. You and your family will receive valuable travel safety benefits from DAN Boater until your next dues renewal. When renewing your annual membership online, you can choose to continue these valuable travel safety benefits as part of your individual or family membership for only \$25 per year or decline them at checkout. These emergency travel benefits are available whenever more than 50 miles from home and you do not need to be boating.

We wish a speedy recovery for Lt/C Larry Warren, AP for his recent surgeries. We also wish a speedy recover for Gloria Durkee who broke her hip. If you hear of anyone in our club who is ill or injured, please contact our Sunshine Chairperson, Leslie Burton, S. Her e-mail address is [lrburton\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:lrburton_99@yahoo.com) ( there is an underscore between her name and the number "99").



Derek Van Dyke, Washington State Parks employee, briefed TPS members about boating/PFD stats for 2019  
(Picture provided by Lt Cindy Warren, AP)



## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT



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



*Lt/C Otto Rasmussen, SN, CN*



*Lt/C Bentley Rickmers, S  
Asst Education Officer*

**A** Seamanship Class will be starting January 9th, 2020. For our new members and any members who might be considering a great course taught by Lance Williamson, please let Lance, Otto Rasmussen, Sandi Carroll, or Bentley Rickmers know so that adequate materials can be ordered for the class. Lance-(253)312-1371 Otto-(253)-921-3839 Sandi-(253)-208-0979 Bentley-(253)-208-1678 Thanks, Otto.

Other classes for 2020 Educational efforts include Engine Maintenance, Electronic Navigation, and Piloting or Advanced Piloting depending on requests from you, our members. PLEASE LET US KNOW A.S.A.P. so that arrangements can be made!!

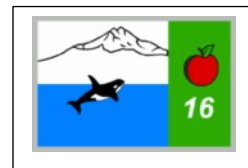
As we look forward to the 2020 Educational year, we have some challenges to deal with. Jerry Lawrence who has been doing the rules and regulations segment of the ABC Basic Boating Class is stepping down from many years of dedicated presentations to the ABC Class students. We need a volunteer to do this segment moving ahead this year. We are not planning an ABC Class till probably around May, this Spring. Some other instructors are stepping down as well. If you would be willing to assist with instruction of the classes we are offering, that would be a big help to keep our educational program on track. If you think you may be able to give us a hand, please contact me, Sandi, or Bentley and we can discuss what's involved.

Cheers from your Educational Department, SEO Otto Rasmussen, ASEO Sandi Carroll, & ASEO Bentley Rickmers  
Otto- [otto@ottorasmussen.com](mailto:otto@ottorasmussen.com) Sandi- [mitch-sandi@att.net](mailto:mitch-sandi@att.net) Bentley- [benric7@comcast.net](mailto:benric7@comcast.net)



**“Educate like a Captain**

**Play like a Pirate”**



**Annual District 16 Conference  
13-15 March 2020**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Squadron: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION:	(Meal prices include gratuity & Sales tax)	*Early Bird \$*	Regular \$	# of People	Total \$
<b>Friday – Incoming Officer training</b>	<b>1300 – 1600</b> Des Moines YC - 22737 Marine View Dr, Des Moines see next page	XXX	XXX	_____	XXX
<b>Friday – Registration</b>	<b>1500 - 1800</b> DoubleTree Suites - 16500 Southcenter Pkwy, Tukwila	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
<b>Friday - Dinner - dress as your favorite Captain or Pirate</b>	<b>1900 - 2000</b> Spaghetti w/ meatballs, salad, garlic bread with music	\$38.00	\$43.00	_____	\$ _____
<b>Saturday – Breakfast</b>	- Breakfast is available at the hotel	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
<b>Saturday – Tour of Seattle Chocolate Co</b>	<b>0930 – 1130</b> see next page	XXX	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
<b>Saturday – Clinic “Clarifying stray currents”</b>	<b>1330 – 1530</b> see next page	XXX	XXX	_____	XXX
<b>Saturday – Lunch</b>	<b>1200 - 1300</b> Baja Salad Buffet; salad greens w/ assorted toppings available	\$28.00	\$33.00	_____	\$ _____
<b>Saturday – No-Host Social</b>	<b>1700 - 1800</b>	XXX	XXX	_____	XXX
<b>Saturday – Dinner</b>	<b>1800 - 2000</b> 1. Garlic roasted Chicken w/ smoked mozzarella cream 2. Salmon Linguini All Entrees served with dinner salad, seasonal vegetables, new potatoes, coffee/decaf/tea <b>Final chance for Raffle Tickets and Silent Auction bids</b>	\$45.00 \$45.00	\$50.00 \$50.00	_____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____
* Early Bird prices apply only for Registrations post-marked by 15 January 2020 Registrations & payment MUST be received prior to 21 February 2020					<b>TOTAL:</b>

Please make checks payable to: “Poverty Bay Sail & Power Squadron” and mail with Registration Form to: Joanna Webster, 31820 37<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Federal Way, WA 98023-2176, Phone: (253) 927-7474.

Make hotel reservations directly with DoubleTree Suites no later than **Friday, 28 February 2020** by using below link or calling: (800) 222-8733. Request Group Code “D16” to get conference rate prices.

**DoubleTree Suites, 16500 Southcenter Pkwy, Tukwila, WA**

[https://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/SEASPDT-D16-20200313/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/SEASPDT-D16-20200313/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

\*\* Please do NOT book your room through Expedia.com, hotels.com or similar sites.  
We do not get credit against our required room-night guarantee for those bookings\*\*

For questions, please contact Joanna Webster at: (253) 927-7474 or email at jimjoweb@aol.com



## **Incoming Officer training**

Those that sign up for this training will be contact via e-mail about options for getting to the Des Moines Yacht Club.

## **Seattle Chocolate Co. Tour**

Experience chocolate at the Seattle Chocolate factory and flagship store. **Taste** their signature, smooth chocolate recipes throughout your journey. **Explore** their chocolate-making machines and the start-to-finish creation of their truffles. **Discover** the history of chocolate, the untold stories of Seattle Chocolate Company, and learn how they invent new flavors. Plus, share some ideas of your own!

Those that sign up for this tour will be contact via e-mail about transportation arrangements (time & place).

## **Clinic “Clarifying stray currents”**

Why doesn't your boat's electrical work when connected to the new 30mA marina electrical systems. Why are your zincs wearing out fast. Why are we hearing more about electrocution of swimmers. Learn about what to look for on your boat to avoid these bit falls and avoid failing a marine survey.

## **Activities & shopping**

There is lots of activities and shopping available within walking and/or free hotel shuttle ride of the hotel.

# Tacoma & South Puget Sound 2019 Rendezvous Schedule

25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cruise In @ Day Island Yacht Club **Call to confirm for food & attendance**	Jackie & Richard Mattox 253-732-2264 Cindy & Larry Warren Text Cindy 206-571-3096
14 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> February	Arabellas (President's Day) 253-851-1793 Call Marina to make reservation	Stan & Debbie Wolfe 253-948-6101 (10) Boats
27 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> March	Dock Street 253-272-4352 Call Marina to make reservation	Need Hosts (10) Boats
17 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> April	Daffodil	Registration on TYC Website <i>Need Parade Boat</i>
24 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> April	Des Moines	<u><i>Waiting for Confirmation Call</i></u>
22 <sup>nd</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> May	Swantown (Memorial Day) 360-528-8049 Call Marina to make reservation	Need Hosts (10) Boats <u><i>\$5 Reservation Fee</i></u>
12 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> June	Poulsbo District 16	Registration Form/Wake Astern
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Seafair Milk Carton Derby	Green Lake Larry & Cindy Warren & Seattle
24 <sup>th</sup> July-Aug 9 <sup>th</sup>	Cruise (Local & Hood Canal)	
4 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Port Orchard (Labor Day) Call Host to Reserve Slip	Need Hosts (10) Boats <u><i>\$5 Reservation Fee</i></u>

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](mailto:c.m.warren-7@hotmail.com)  
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1 Yr Term	Jackie Mattox
1 Yr Term	Karen Jackson
2 Yr Term	Aaron Strasser
2 Yr Term	Tim Craig
3 Yr Term	Cathy Reed
3 Yr Term	Gary Dildine

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

1 Yr Term	Jackie Mattox
2 Yr Term	Sandi Carroll
3 Yr Term	Leah Hafterson

### RULES COMMITTEE

1 Yr Term	Mitch Carroll
2 Yr Term	Melinda Mackey
3 Yr Term	Bentley Rickmers

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2 Yr Term	Larry Warren
3 Yr Term	Mark Hafterson

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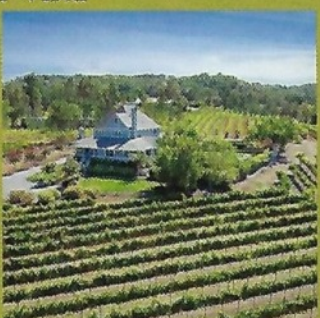
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# Tacoma Power Squadron



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