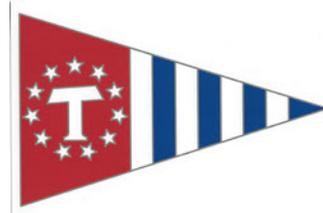




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COMMANDER



Cdr Larry Warren. AP

We had an excellent start to our summer with the Poulsbo D-16 Rendezvous. The turnout from Tacoma's squadron was fantastic, and we even had some drive in's, and sleepovers (Ray and Herta staying in town at the hotel). Friday night's dock tail party proved to be a very interesting. Our theme, Jimmy Buffett's "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" & "Margaritaville", was very popular. We provided Cheeseburger sliders and Karen and Jim Jackson made a terrific hit with their Margaritas. Apparently, the theme from "Gilligan's Island" is a favorite cruising song because I have never seen so many people dressed as the inhabitants of Gilligan's Island walking around. It was a fun time; there was plenty of terrific food, drink, and camaraderie. There were some problems with the new power pedestals that were recently installed by the Port of Poulsbo. For everyone's future reference, these power pedestals will not let power flow to your boat if there is any feedback coming from your boat. Apparently, this is the new standard and will be showing up at your favorite marina in the future. You may have to have a marine electrician look at your system if you have this problem. Most people could run their generator for power, providing your generator was working.

Our squadron has been busy with some Public events. Starting the summer with a meet and greet at Cabela's with P/D/C Jim Harden doing VSC's. We did have some people signing up for ABC. A Canoes & kayaks seminar presented by TPS on July 8th at Point Defiance Marina. A Boating Safety presentation given at Joint Base Lewis/McCord on July 7th. There was an appreciative audience; this was an excellent way to reach out to our community and military in our area.

Two courses have completed, the Piloting class and Engine Maintenance class, and all of the students passed.

All in all an excellent start to our summer. With more possibilities to go, not to mention going out and having some fun on our boats. It's not too soon to start thinking about our Fall General meetings. If someone has ideas about "Programs" we can arrange ahead of time, give me a heads up, and we'll see what we can do.

We have numerous opportunities for you to be involved if you have some time and a willingness to give something back to your squadron. Don't hesitate to call me or email me; you don't have to wait for me to call You!

Have an exciting summer. If we don't meet on the water, I'll see you in September.

On a side note, if you are doing Seafair related events be sure to catch Seattle Sail and Power Squadron's entry into the Milk Carton Derby on Green Lake July 15th, 2017 8:00 AM - 4: 00 PM. "Go Seattle," last year they took Second Place.

General Meetings Held

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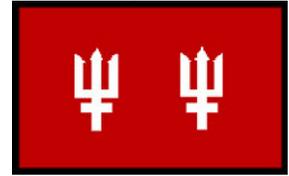
Executive Board Meetings
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On As Needed Basis

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Lt/C Richard Mattox, AP

As a kid, I remember how fast summer used to fly by. Seemed like school was out one week and then Mom was taking me out the next week to buy school clothes and supplies. Well, fifty plus years later and though I'm not shopping for school clothes and supplies, time is still in fast forward mode.

With that being said, summer boating season is upon us and I don't plan to waste any minute of it. After missing the annual Chris Craft Rendezvous since 2009, Jackie and I took off for Port Orchard for the 28th Annual Chris Craft get together. It was a great event, yummy food, an outstanding music band, and yes, a lot of beautiful Chris Craft boats. I think the total count was 50+.

Next on the agenda: Kingston and the San Juan Islands. I'm really looking forward to this, but I will also be keeping a sharp eye out for any "dead heads" that bring back some not so good memories from the past. Oh, and hopefully we'll get our fair share of crab this time.

So, be safe out there and keep that sun screen handy!

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GREAT NEWS!! The results of the Engine Maintenance Class exam and the Piloting Class exam have come back with all the students who did the exams getting passing scores. Way to go for both the students and the instructors, a job well done!!

We had a 2-hour Paddle Smart Seminar presentation at Pt Defiance Boat House on Saturday July 8th at 10:00 AM till 12:00. We had seven students in attendance and the presentation went very well. The Pt. Defiance Boat House staff did the practical demonstration at Owens Beach with kayaks and canoes following the class room session. I feel it was a productive seminar considering the favorable comments from the students following our presentation. I wish to thank P/D/C Jim Harden and Lt Stan Wolfe for their assistance in putting this seminar on.

The June 5th - 2 classes a week ABC Class tested on June 19th with 10 students passing. Thanks to P/C Lance Williamson for organizing and putting the class on.

Tacoma Yacht Club has made it's facility available for an ABC Basic Boating Class to be held starting Thursday September 14th 07:00 PM- 09:00PM. Tell your friends, who are new to boating or would like to learn more and may be in need of a "Washington State Boat Operators Card, to give us a call or email and sign up for the class. It will run for 5 sessions including the exam.

It's not too early to give some thought to classes that we could plan for next fall that would interest you. Let me know your desires, since I keep tabs on these requests.

I have had some interest expressed about a Weather Class. If we can get a few more people interested, we can plan a class for early October. Give me a call. I have an instructor!

We could use some volunteers willing to go out with skippers who are desirous for on the water demonstrations of various aspects of boat handling. We are getting requests for this activity. If you would be willing to help out, please let me know so we can assist these skippers.

WE CAN HELP !! During the boating season experienced members can do on the water demonstrations and instruction on a member's boat. The requirements are that the boat have a current Vessel Safety Check and decal, and that the time and date of the on the water demonstration be approved by the Squadron Executive Board. If you would like to hone your talents at close quarters boat handling, let me know and we can put something together. This is a great way to assist a member who is learning about their new boat. The United States Power Squadrons has liability insurance that covers these approved activities, as long as we follow the guidelines.

Hope to see you on the water, there are some great outings lined up this boating season.

Cheers, Otto & Sandi

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NOTE1 NEW email ADDRESS for Otto



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		PC CHUCK GAY 253-318-2905 cell cdgji@aol.com
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No-Discharge Zone (NDZ): We don't have a lot of new information to report here. Charlie Costanzo (American Waterways Operators), attorney James Tupper, and the Marine Alliance continue to work the "request for reconsideration" angle. We have been advised that they were scheduled to have a meeting with EPA Director Scott Pruitt last week, arranged with the assistance of Senator Patty Murray. No results of that meeting have been released as of June 8th.

State adoption of an update to the National Electrical Code (NEC): Unbeknownst to those of us in recreational boating circles, the code had been updated at the federal level without meaningful recreational boaters' input, and the state Department of Labor & Industries was poised to adopt it July 1, 2017. Changes to the NEC included a 30 milli-amp (mA) ground protection standard that would have been unachievable for many marinas and would have made electrical upgrades of marinas impossible to undertake. We had already heard of an upgrade at the Roche Harbor Marina being put on hold.

The good news is that our colleagues with NMTA got involved in a late effort to amend and/or delay the implementation of the ground-protection standard, and RBAW got involved as well. With two organizations now registering concerns, with two state legislators making inquiries, and with RBAW asking L&I's Legislative Director for an Agency-stakeholder meeting, we got results; postponement of the effective date of the L&I adopting the NEC as published to July 1, 2018.

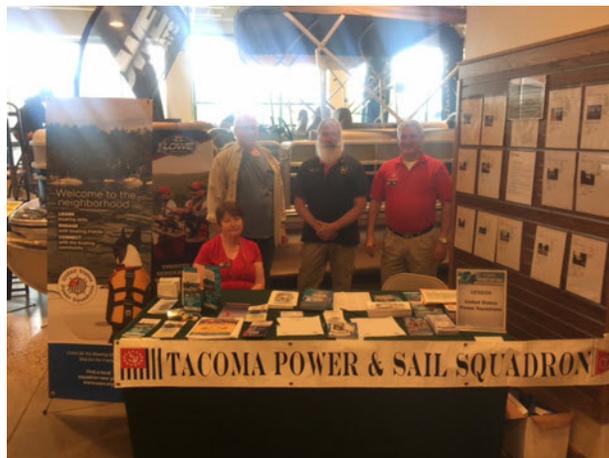
Regulatory issue – Hull Identification Number (HIN) Registration/Reporting Changes: Discussions with the Department of Licensing (DOL) are progressing well. While a pending U.S. Coast Guard rule-making could have led to significant upheaval for all those who sell, trade, register, or re-register vessels, we've bought time to educate boaters and brokers and establish a system where existing HIN numbers can at least be preserved somewhere on the re-registration form (likely in the "Comment" portion).

Operating Budgets: If no Operating Budget is agreed upon by July 1, non-essential parts of state government (such as State Parks) will be required to shut down until a 2017-19 budget is in place. It's worth noting that agencies are developing contingency plans that impact staff, contracts with outside parties, reservations for use of state facilities, and more.

PC Chuck Gay, RBAW Director & Delegate

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and P/C Debbie Harden, P



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(Picture provided by P/D/C Jim Harden, JN)



Port of Kingston Rendezvous July 28th-July 29th, 2017

Friday:

This is a No Host Event: As boats call in on channel 72 please answer & assist them in docking.

Dinner on your own

Saturday:

Farmer's Market: 9:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Potluck Dinner & San Juan Cruise Meeting: 6:00 P.M.

Make plans for departure & routes, assign designated person to check in boats at each marina, share cell #'s, share any medical history if desired, make plans for activities at marinas, and etc.

Example: Roche Harbor, we'll have appetizers & beverage tasting with the Warren's and Ashbrook's. Bring your favorite beverage to share along with an appetizer.

Port of Kingston	St Anthony Hospital
25864 Washington Blvd.	11567 Canterwood Blvd NW
Kingston, WA	Gig Harbor, WA
360-297-3545	253-530-2170

Apple Cove Animal Hospital
11254 NE 2nd Street
Kingston, WA
360-297-2898

Bell Harbor August 25th-27th, 2017

Friday: * Arrive at Bell Harbor and Call channel 72 for docking instruction.

* 6:00-7:30pm Heavy Hors D'oeuvre on dock

Saturday: * 9:00am Breakfast Potluck – Bring your favorite breakfast item to share.
(Hosts will be providing Breakfast Burritos)

* Lunch and Dinner on Own

Sunday: * Depart Bell Harbor

Local Attractions: Pike Place Market, Art Museum, Underground Tour, Seattle Center, Space Needle, Great Wheel, Fly Over Washington, Sculpture Park, Seattle Aquarium to mention a few.

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Restaurants close by:

- Anthony’s Restaurant – At Marina \$\$ - \$\$\$
- The Pink Door – 1919 Post Alley. Distance from marina 0.60 miles \$\$\$
- The Crab Pot – Pier 57 . Distance from marina 0.5 miles \$\$\$
- Serious Pie Pizza - 316 Virginia St. Distance from marina 0.35 miles \$\$
- Etta’s - 2020 Western Ave. Distance from marina 0.17 miles \$\$\$
- Elliott’s Oyster House – 1201 Alaskan Way, Pier 56. Distance from marina 0.56 miles \$\$\$
- El Gaucho – 2505 First Ave. Distance from marina 0.29 miles \$\$\$\$
- Seatown – 2010 Western Ave. Distance from marina 0.17 miles \$\$
- Marrakesh – 2334 Second Ave. Distance from marina 0.28 miles \$\$

Hospital:

Harborview Medical - 325 9th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104
Phone: (206) 744-3300

Veterinarian:

Access Animal Hospital - 11536 Lake City Way NE Seattle, WA 98125
Phone: (206) 364-1660



*Bell Harbor
Marina*

**Swantown Rendezvous
September 1st-September 4th, 2017**

Lt. Cindy Warren, AP

The Swantown Rendezvous will be happening on Labor Day weekend. Please call your hosts and the marina to confirm you are coming. This is the traditional weekend for the tugboat races. Don’t forget the farmers’ market and all the vendors that will be selling their wares and food. Your hosts are planning some activities, games, and etc. for you to participate in. We have reserved (12) slips this year so don’t wait to call as this is a busy weekend for the marina.

Swantown: 360-528-8049

Cindy & Larry Warren: 360-897-8692

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Tom & Rebecca Ferree: 253-752-9060 ferret@asme.org



Tacoma Power Squadron 2017 Rendezvous Schedule

July 28 - 30	Kingston *\$7 Reservation fee* 360-297-3545	Need Hosts *Call Marina to make your reservation
August 25 - 27	Bell Harbor \$5 Reservation fee 206-787-3952	Jenna & Mike Ashbrook Call Marina to reserve (8 boats)
September 1 - 4	Swantown \$5 Reservation fee 360-528-8049	Cindy & Larry Warren 360-897-8692 Tom & Rebecca Ferree Call Marina to reserve (12 boats)
September 16	Sharp's House Salmon Bake	Chuck & Vicki Sharp

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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Summer 2017 San Juan Islands Cruise

P/C Lance Williamson, P

The planning process for the summer 2017 San Juan Islands Cruise has begun! A tentative schedule has been developed.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Nights of...</u>
Kingston	July 28, 29
Oak Harbor	July 30
Deer Harbor (Orcas Island)	July 31, August 1, 2
Fisherman Bay (Lopez Island)	August 3, 4, 5
Roche Harbor (San Juan Island)	August 6, 7, 8
Rosario Resort (East Sound Orcas Island)	August 9, 10, 11

People are invited to attend the entire trip or any part of the trip. People are also free to take side trips. Additional information will be made available as the planning progresses.

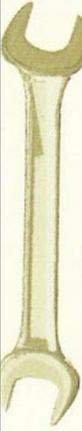


District 16 Poulsbo Rendezvous June 22nd - 25th, 2017



“Did someone say Hot Dogs?”

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August 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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San Juan Cruise						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
San Juan Cruise						Deadline Wake Astern
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 No Gen. Mtgs June thru August	23	24	25	26
Bell Harbor Rendezvous						
27 Bell Harbor Rendv	28	29	30	31		



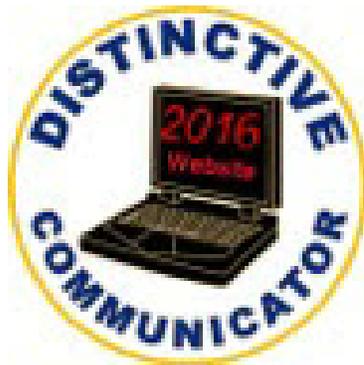
September 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					Swantown Rendezvous	
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Swantown Rendezvous						
10	11	12 1900 - 2100 * Ex. Bd Mtg Deadline Wake Astern	13	14 ABC Class @ TYC	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 ABC Class @ TYC	22	23
24	25	26 1830 - 2030 Past Cdrs' BBQ Gen. Mtg At DIYC	27	28 ABC Class @ TYC	29	30

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