

Point Wilson Sail & Power Squadron

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A unit of District 16 United States Power Squadrons



February, 2011

Point Wilson Sail & Power Squadron Invites you to join them at their Annual Change of Watch Ceremony and Awards Night

Tuesday, February 15, 2010 6 pm to 8 pm for appetizers, dinner, program, & ceremony
at
Port Townsend Yacht Club

Commander Natalie Hutton, AP announces the
incoming officers
for the 2010-2011 year

Commander: Bob Miller, AP
Executive Officer: Linda Newland, AP
Squadron Education Officer: Bob Monica, AP
Administrative Officer: Vacant
Secretary: Andy Okinczyc
Treasurer: Ron Hayes, P

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(guests bring side dishes or appetizers; meat & dessert provided by squadron)

FROM THE BRIDGE BY: COMMANDER NATALIE HUTTON, AP



Squadron Members,

Well, this is my final article while serving as your Commander. I feel like we have been on a journey together, and we are now sailing into the home port. I have been honored to have served you for the last four years – as your Secretary, Administrative Officer, Executive Officer, and as your Commander. I know I am turning over the helm to a very qualified incoming Commander, so all will be well with Bob as our new leader.

I encourage each of you to become involved – our Sail & Power Squadron has a lot to offer boaters. Just ask anyone who has taken one of our classes – they are very beneficial and informative. Just ask anyone who has attended any of our meetings – they are full of information and the food is always great! Just ask anyone who has had their boat inspected – you have that great sense of “seamanship” and a feeling of safety when you are handed your new Vessel Safety sticker for the year. Just ask anyone who has raced on one of our squadron member’s racing boats – you are in for the time of your life as part of that crew! Just ask anyone who has joined in on an overnight Rendezvous/Cruise – those are terrific fun times with other great people. Just ask anyone who has attended a District Meeting, Council, Conference, or Rendezvous – you will meet the greatest people & all fellow boaters who share your interests. You are definitely missing out if you are not taking advantage of all of these benefits. So get involved and invite others to come along.

As my term comes to a close, I am happy to announce that I had three Commander goals for the year, and as a squadron, we have fulfilled all three with everyone’s help. We put together our year-long calendar, incorporated a cruising program, and amazingly surpassed our membership expectations. At the National Meeting in February, our Squadron will be receiving recognition for the most new members (numerically & percentage wise) in a District 16 squadron and will also be receiving National recognition for our increase as well! New members and continual classes are the backbone of a thriving organization. I encourage all of you to be involved and stay involved in whatever way you are comfortable – everyone’s efforts are always appreciated. Thanks!

I am looking forward to having all of you join us at the Change of Watch Dinner & Celebration on Tuesday, February 15. Please come to thank your outgoing officers and volunteers and to applaud the incoming officers as they step into their new positions to serve your squadron.

Thanks for making my year as your Commander a success!

Commander Natalie Hutton, AP

Greetings from Your SEO



It's been a year filled with good times and happy members taking classes and teaching them. Thanks for the opportunity to serve as your SEO. At this time of year we all change roles but for the instructors, we just change hats and continue on. Bob Monica will be taking over as your SEO but all of us will be in the classroom from time to time as we go into our next squadron year. I know Bob will appreciate seeing new instructors/volunteers to help to teach ABC (America's Boating Course) to the public as well as other classes we'll be teaching this year.

You can pass on the word that we'll hold an ABC class on April 16. We are finalizing the details but it looks right now like it will be held at a NW Maritime Center classroom. At our next Executive Committee meeting on February 7, we will decide on a date for a 3 hour VHF/DSC seminar open to our members and the public. Stay tuned. Continued on Page 5.

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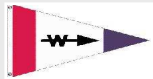


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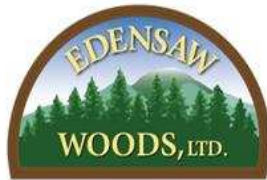
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DISTRICT INCOMING OFFICERS MEETING

The District 16 Incoming Officer's Meeting includes all elected Squadron Officers, including all incoming SEOs and ASEOs.

This is a chance to learn from one another and ask questions about your duties. It will be at [Queen City Yacht Club, 2608 Boyer Ave. East, Seattle, Wa](#) on [26 February](#) from 0830 to 1430. Lunch will be available for \$10.00. This is a rare opportunity to obtain information before taking office. It does not replace the Education Seminar, but gives a head start. I strongly encourage ALL SEOs & ASEOs to attend even if he/she has been serving in his/her position this last year. If you have any topic suggestions, please send them to me. Also, send your RSVP to D/C Joanna Webster, jimjoweb@aol.com and me not later than [21 February](#).

Karin McLean, JN
District 16 DEO



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Greetings from SEO Continued from Page 2.

The Weather class participants have now finished class except for their exams. Thanks to all who participated and especially to Chelcie Liu who helped teach it with me. We also took the exam as many times our instructors serve as both teachers and students. Bob Monica will also be deciding on what other electives Pt. Wilson will be offering this year.

Bob Miller is well into the Advanced Piloting class at the School for Wooden Boatbuilding. He will start anew in October with the Seamanship class followed by a Piloting and Advanced Piloting class for 2011-2012. As per our new direction by our national organization, all classes are open to our members and to the public.

I do note that we have some members who have not taken Seamanship and started the progression of competencies that are recommended by USPS. Please consider taking the October class from Bob. He will be happy to accommodate you and the learning opportunity is priceless for your own boating skills knowledge. This is the logical next class to take after the ABC class.

Hope to see you soon and especially in the classroom. Thanks to Skookum Company for the voluntary loan of their facilities for our Weather classroom and Board meetings. We appreciate the local support.

Linda Newland



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General Meeting Minutes Point Wilson Sail & Power Squadron
January 18, 2011 Port Townsend Yacht Club

After a potluck dinner beginning at 6 pm, the meeting was brought to order at 6:55 pm by Natalie Hutton, Commander

Natalie announced that we won a District 16 award for having the most new members in 2010 both for actual numbers & for percentage of increase.

Several other recognitions were also announced:

Albert Foster, Jim Hutton and Natalie Hutton all achieved the level of Educational Proficiency.

Denny Newland & Natalie Hutton received recognition for their Coop Charting efforts & the Squadron received recognition as an Honor Roll Squadron for Coop Charting.

Merit Marks have been awarded to deserving squadron members. Twenty-six members were recognized this year. Recipients will receive an email announcing the recognition, but members must now print out their own certificates (this has saved National \$20,000/year).

Sue Thomas was initiated as new member, receiving her certificate & pin. Welcome Sue!

Linda Newland, Education Officer, reported:

The Weather class is almost over, the ABC Class, basic boating is starting soon, sign-up will be in the latter part of March. The Class is expected to begin in April.

Bob Miller, incoming Commander's report:

Piloting class has just begun, one class only, still open for new students. He teaches the course at the NW School of Wood Boatbuilding on Wed. evenings.

Natalie Hutton made these announcements:

District 16 Spring Council Meeting @ Friday Harbor on Sat. Feb.12

Next General meeting is February 15, 2011 & is the Change of Watch Dinner & Ceremony & Annual awards night

Request: Officers please bring officer flags back to the February 7th Executive Board Meeting to be passed on to the new officers at the Change of Watch.

March 25 & 26 District 16 Spring Conference in Bremerton

Old Business:

None

Guests introduced themselves:

Julie Fortell,

Ed Peer, wife Jane (doing the French Canal trip in April)

Jim and Norma Wyman (interested in doing a similar trip)

Larry Cougis, and wife Sheila

Plus numerous other vistors.

Election: Motion was presented by Chelcie Liu for next year's Officers to be accepted as presented; Jim Hutton 2nd the motion. There was unanimous approval by the voting members for the following officers:

Slate of Officers

Commander, Bob Miller

Executive Officer, Linda Newland

Squadron Education Officer, Bob Monica

Secretary, Andy Okinczyc

Treasurer, Ron Hayes

Administrative Officer – Vacant

The Squadron is still interested in someone volunteering to help with the duties of the Administrative Officer. Also the appointed position of newsletter editor is open.

Newsletter:

Proposal by Chelcie Liu, that several people fill in as editor so that the position is shared, and gives people leeway to go on vacation or similar. Natalie mentioned that there is a backup person, "just in case." Chelcie's proposal will be discussed at the Executive Board Meeting.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:10 by Commander Natalie

Evening Program:

Natalie introduced members Bob & Molly Miller. Bob presented a very enjoyable program about their trip to France in September/October on one of the Canals in a canal boat. Guests continued to arrive throughout the presentation with 37+ guests in attendance. This subject proved to be a very interesting one for our community guests and members alike.

Canals of France --

Areas visited: Camargue

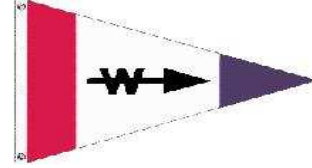
Canal de Garonne

Suggested visiting websites:

Barginginfrance.com

H2olidays.com

Bob used the company "LeBote" for renting his boat for the trip and highly recommends them.



Submitted by, Marilyn Butz (acting secretary for Denny Newland)

2011 Upcoming Events

See Pages 8, 9 and 10 for more information and Registration forms for the Sprig Council and Spring Conference

Feb. 7 Executive Board Mtg., 7pm Skookum (current & incoming officers)

Feb. 12 District 16 Spring Council at Friday Harbor, San Juan Islands

Feb. 15 "Change of Watch" Dinner & Installation of Officers; Annual Awards

Presentations, 6 pm, PTYC

Mar. 7 Executive Board Mtg., 7 pm Skookum

Mar. 15 General Meeting & Potluck, 6 pm, PTYC

Mar. 25 - 26 District 16 Spring Conference, Kitsap Conference

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SPRING CONFERENCE & CHANGE OF WATCH

25 – 26 March 2011

KITSAP CONFERENCE CENTER

Bremerton, Washington

The District 16 Spring Conference will be held at the Kitsap Conference Center in Bremerton, Washington on 25 – 26 March, 2011. The Conference Center is located in downtown Bremerton, on the waterfront, next to the ferry terminal. Please make your conference reservations by 1 March, to take advantage of the early bird rates. The Hampton Inn is located adjacent to the Conference Center. If needed, additional hotel rooms will be available at the Fairfield Inn only a block away. Call Hampton Inn first and they will help coordinate with Fairfield if necessary. The room rate for both hotels is \$99.00 per night. Please make hotel reservations prior to 10 March to ensure the contract rate. Parking will cost \$7.00 per day for those staying at the hotels. For those driving in, there is parking under the conference center for a small fee. Enter the parking lot at North end of Hampton Inn Suites. Breakfast is complimentary for those staying at the hotels. Breakfast for non-hotel guests is \$7.00, paid directly to the hotel. As an alternative, there are several nice restaurants close by. No officers' breakfast meetings are planned.

The Friday night reception for the chief's representative, V/C Richard Peoples, SN and dinner will be in the Fountain Room at the Puget Sound Naval Museum. It is a two story white building located at 251 First Street right next to the ferry terminal. We will have registration set up from 1700 – 1900 in the Fountain Room with the reception and dinner starting at 1800. On Saturday, the registration desk will be located in the conference center and be open from 0800-1000. The conference will start at 0900 at the center. The Saturday evening festivities will take place in the conference center.

We hope to make the conference move along quickly by having many of the officer's reports presented in writing and available for the membership to read. This will reduce the time for the business meeting and give us more time to explore other issues of interest to all members. Of course, there will be time for attendees to ask questions about the reports that are presented. Our speakers will be different this year with an emphasis on topics of interest to all. Saturday evening will be more in line with the Canadian trend of being casual, with the uniform being blazers and ties for the bridge.

Since the conference will be held in downtown Bremerton, most places of interest are within walking distance. For example, we are having the Friday social in the same building as the Navy Museum. The museum is one block from the conference center. The Port Orchard people ferry landing is next to the Washington State ferry dock. The *USS Turner Joy*, a Vietnam era destroyer has been converted into a museum. It is located just north of the marina. The Puppet Museum is located at 257 4th St just east of the Bremerton Historical Museum at 289 - 4th St. All of these places are within a short walk from the conference center and the hotels. If that weren't enough, Anthony's Home Port Restaurant has recently opened nearby on the waterfront.

More Conference Information and Reservations on next pages.

Directions to Kitsap Conference Center and Hampton Inn:

From I-5: Take Exit #132, SR 16 (in Tacoma) toward Bremerton. Merge on to SR 3 N toward Bremerton. Take Kitsap Way exit in Bremerton. Head east toward city center on Kitsap Way. Follow signs for Seattle Ferry. Kitsap Way turns into 6th St at Wycoff. Continue on 6th St to Warren Ave. Turn right. At dead end, turn left on Burwell. Stay to right and turn right onto Pacific following signs to Ferry drop off and pickup lane. Continue toward ferry landing. The street turns into Washington Ave. Hampton Inn and Suites is on right.

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From the Bremerton Ferry: Take a right onto Washington Ave. Hampton Inn and Suites is on right.

REGISTRATION FORM

District 16 Spring Conference & Change of Watch

25-26 March 2011

Kitsap Conference Center at Bremerton Harborside

100 Washington Ave

Bremerton, Washington

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____ Spouse/Guest

name: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Squadron: _____

E-Mail Address for confirmation of registration and payment

First time attending a district conference? YES _____

Please Note: There is no charge for attending conference meetings. Early Bird prices apply for conference

reservations postmarked no later than March 1, 2011. Regular hotel prices apply to reservations postmarked after March 10, 2011.

Regular

Activity Early Bird After 3/01/10 No. People Total _____

Registration – 1700 - 1900

Friday Reception – 1800 – 1930 in the Fountain Room located at 251 First St.

‘No Host Bar’, Buffet Dinner \$32 \$34 \$ _____

(BBQ Chicken, Tri-tip, Pulled Pork, Potato salad, Baked beans, Ranch style potatoes, Texas coleslaw, Red Bean salad, Corn on the cob, Vegetarian macaroni and cheese, Dessert, Coffee and tea)

Saturday Breakfast – Complementary at hotel for guests - One hot entrée plus waffles, fruit, yogurt, cereal, juices & coffee

Saturday Conference Luncheon: \$25.50 \$28 \$ _____

(In the conference center)

(Signature Soup and Sandwich buffet- homemade soup, potato, and ham chowder, chicken and rice, vegetable, French onion beef vegetable or minestroneyour

choice of three meats for sandwich including roast beef, turkey, ham, corned beef, pastrami, tuna salad or chicken salad- assorted cheeses and breadsdessert)

Saturday Evening Banquet \$35 \$38 _____ \$ _____

(In the Conference center)

Crispy Garlic Chicken Breast-cheese stuffed pasta shells set atop a blend of vegetables and topped with cheese and tomato broth-green salad, rice pilaf-steak

fries-roasted red potatoes

Total \$ _____

Make reservations directly with hotel not later than Thursday, March 10, 2011.

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Ferry Departs Friday Harbor 4:30 PM—Arrives
Anacortes 5:35 PM

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Registration 11:00 AM

Call to Order: 11:30 AM

Luncheon: 12:30 – 1:00 PM

Adjourn: 3:45 PM

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378-5445**

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Registration Deadline: February 8th, 2011 (for luncheon)

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Phone/email _____

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Please check one: Meat Lasagna Vegetable Lasagna

Reservations @ \$16.00 each = \$ _____

