

COME FOR THE BOATING EDUCATION ... STAY FOR THE FRIENDS544

From The Helm



Welcome to 2017! We look forward to a very promising year with many activities planned-including important and helpful

classes for you to attend. I hope

your New Year's Resolutions include taking one or more

courses and inviting one or more people to join our meetings or classes. I'd also like you to consider becoming more involved by volunteering to be an officer on the Squadron's bridge.

We need your help. An important facet of February's general meeting will be electing new

January General Meeting Tues., January 17, 2017 @ 5:30 PM

5:30 PM Social Hour
6:00 PM Potluck Dinner
6:30 PM Sea Stories & Dessert
6:40 PM General Meeting
7:00 PM Program
8:00 PM Adjournment

Steve Tucker is our evening's speaker and will present "Why Are There Ports?" Come to hear why ports exist along with some history of our local ports and some future plans for the Port of Port Townsend.

officers for the upcoming year. Currently, there are two openings on our Bridge: 1) Squadron Educational Officer (SEO) and 2) Commander. I know that many of you are very capable people with leadership and organization experience, so please consider volunteering for one of these positions or be prepared to provide suggestions of qualified candidates to fill these roles. Please contact me or any of your Bridge officers with your thoughts or suggestions. Thank you for your help!

Our Squadron Holiday Party was a huge success with many members in attendance. We enjoyed delicious food, a very successful raffle and live auction, and great times while becoming better acquainted. I would like to thank the following people who contributed greatly to the success and fun of this event: Jane Armstrong, Natalie Hutton, and Jani Templin-Weller arranged for and set up the festive decorations; the Port Ludlow Yacht Club allowed us to use their light house table decorations and tablecloths; Gordan Lacey brought his music system and provided a continuous background of holiday music; the Bridge provided the turkey and gravy (Linda), ham (Brian), potatoes (Jani), and ice cream sundaes for dessert (Gary); finally, special thanks go to the members who provided appetizers, salads, and side dishes. It is a wonder that I'm not 25 pounds heavier after all that delicious food!

As usual, one of the evening's highlights was enjoying our fellow members in a relaxed and festive atmosphere. The other big highlight was our raffle and live auction fundraising event. A huge round of applause is in order for each of those who brought such an impressive array of raffle items. All of



the winners were able to take home some very nice items. Ron Hayes, auctioneer and raffle-master, assisted by the capable, Brian Roe, did a stellar job. The activity was not only a ton of fun but it was also a huge success by bringing in \$618.

Once again, please consider becoming more involved in your Power Squadron in 2017 by volunteering or recommending others for leadership.

Anne and I wish you all a very Happy, Healthy, and Safe 2017!

Ramsay Smith



WHY ARE THERE PORTS?

Steve Tucker will be the evening's speaker on January 17 at our general meeting. Learn the reasons ports exist along with some history of our local ports. Steve will also discuss some of the future plans for the Port of Port Townsend.

Steve is a Port Commissioner for Port Townsend - District 1, a retired business owner, and an avid boater and fisherman. As residents since 1981, Steve and his wife, Cathy, started their local auto service and repair business in 1992. Then in 1998 they built Auto Works and operated that business until they sold it to the current owner in 2004. Steve teaches courses for the Coast Guard Auxiliary and our Sail and Power Squadron in boating safety, maintenance, navigation and electronics. Most recently, Steve taught our Squadron course on Engine Maintenance.





Linda, SEO and Ramsay, Cdr

Some of our behind-the-scenes officers who created the raffle auction theme, great food, and decorations



Ramsay, Cdr; Jani, Sec; and Ron, Treas

There were many smiles on members' faces as they scanned through all of the really great raffle items and sampled all the wonderful food





Susan checking out one of the items

Gary, AO and Jim

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....and as always a great time to get caught up with friends.

Kathy visiting with Michael





Chelsea and Dan

Andy, Mark and Gordan

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Point Wilson Sail & Power Squadron Comparative Statement of Revenues, Expenses & Changes in Net Assets For the Years Ended December 31, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
Revenues		
Ad Revenues	100	500
Class Registration	1,748	3,786
Dues Received	369	618
Fundraisers	1,764	1,996
Miscellaneous	200	120
Total Revenues	4,181	7,020
Expenses		
Dues Paid	210	202
Education	1,597	3,114
Fundraisers	409	835
Meeting & Office Supplies	254	122
Meeting Room Rental	750	750
Miscellaneous	200	538
Total Expenses	3,420	5,561
Change in Net Assets	761	1,459
Year End Cash Balance	3,178	2,417

Don't forget to visit our website <u>www.PointWilson.org</u> which is updated with information throughout the year



"Everything Washington"

Please join the Seattle Sail and Power Squadron, as we host the District 16 Spring Conference and Change of Watch. The theme this year is "Everything Washington," in celebration of our diverse geography, skills, heritage and style! This year it is being held at Campbell's Resort, at beautiful Lake Chelan, surrounded by vineyards, mountains and small-town charm, with an array of special activities. We're hoping that you will come a day or two early and enjoy some local activities and special events we have arranged specifically for the folks attending the conference.

Arrive Thursday or Friday and join the 4-hour **Lake Chelan Wine Tour**. Book your seat on this limousine ride and wine tasting tour, guaranteed to be a first class event, for only \$55 per person. The tour is from 1300 - 1700, both Thursday and Friday, leaving from the hotel. (Print and fill in the application at the end of the Newsletter.)

Thursday only, we have arranged a private **Wine Maker's Dinner** at Tsillan Cellars and Sorrento's Restaurant. The price of \$75 per person includes a 3-course meal, wine education, wine pairings with each course, and includes tax and gratuity. We need a minimum of 45 people to sign up for this culinary event, so please don't wait until the last minute.

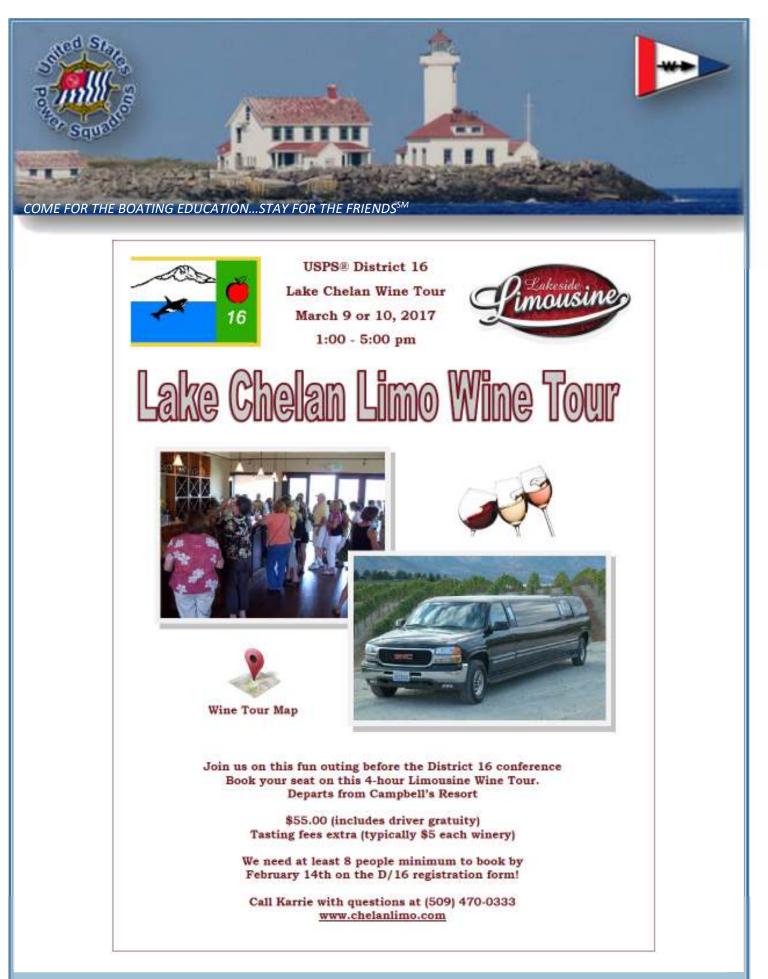
Conference registration will be open on Friday from 1500 - 1800. The council meeting runs from 1700 - 1800 Friday evening, followed by a No-Host bar including heavy appetizers and a special guest to entertain us, the elusive & hilarious, Fletcher Ellingson, magician.

On Saturday, you're on your own for breakfast, but the resort has a great restaurant on site, to start your day. Then down to business with meetings until lunch where we'll be offering a nice box lunch. In the afternoon - more business, reports, awards in excellence and a break before we reconvene the conference and enjoy a catered dinner among friends.

A printable registration form can be found on the last page of this Newsletter. Attendees are asked to pre-register for any Special Events and choose from one or more of the catered meals listed. The conference itself is free.

Hotel Reservations: All rooms have 2 Queens or 1 King bed, a balcony or patio on Lake Chelan. The room rate is guaranteed up to 14 February 2017 - \$94 for a traditional room or \$108 for a Deluxe Room, per night plus taxes. Make your room reservations directly with Campbell's Resort at 1-800-553-8225. Rooms fill up quickly so make your reservations early. When making reservations state that you are with the "United States Power Squadron, Group #462965" and please indicate if you desire a ground floor or handicapped room.







AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE



Get Ready for Boating Season

and Get Your WA State Boater's Card

For Whom: All Recreational Boating Enthusiasts and Fisherman

By Whom: Point Wilson Sail and Power Squadron Instructors/Members

What: America's Boating Course (ABC) is a national boating safety course.

Topics cover both sail and power and include navigational rules, anchoring, handling emergencies, using a VHF radio, trailering, operating a personal watercraft including kayaks and also provides a list of required equipment.

Where: NW School of Wooden Boatbuilding, 42 Water Street, Port Hadlock

When: <u>3 Thursdays: February 16, 23 and March 2, 2017 from 6:00-9:00 PM</u>

How to Register: Contact Linda Newland, 360-437-9350, Newlan2DL@aol.com

Cost: \$45, which includes text.

Additional family member's discount is \$19 if you share a textbook

Why: To be safe on the water.

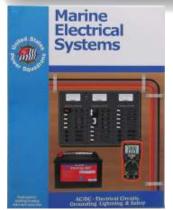
To qualify you for your *WA State Boater's Card*. It is now required for anyone born after January 1, 1955 who will be operating a 15+ horsepower engine. It is also a good idea to carry this card if you plan to travel by boat into Canada as they require proof of a boat operator's competency, and this certificate meets Canada's requirement. Some boating insurance companies offer reduced premiums to cardholders as well. Receive the added benefit of the option of a 6-month trial membership to the US Power Squadron after taking this class.



ABC 3rd Edition – Point Wilson Sail & Power Squadron – 3 day format

Day	Presenter	Section	Title	Minutes
Feb 16	Linda	0	Welcome, Agenda, Logistics	10
	Linda	1	Getting Started	25
	Bob M	3	Going Boating	45
		2	Required Equipment	30
	Linda	8	WA Laws	15
	Bob M	9	Finding Your Way	10
	Ramsay	15	PWC Operation	10
	Ramsay	16	Knots	35
				180
Feb 22	Gordan	10	Anchoring	30
	Linda/Sandra	11	Adverse Conditions	45
	Gordan	4	Nav Rules	20
	Sandra	5	Nav Aids	25
	Linda	6	Lights and Sounds	20
	Linda	7	Gov Regs	15
	Mitch	13	Water Sports	15
				170
Mar 2	Ron	12	VHF Radio	15
	Ron	14	Trailering	10
	Mitch		Intro to Piloting	60
			Break	
	Sandra		Review	35
			Test and correct	60
				180
			Total Class Times	530





Marine Electrical Systems Class Offered

For Whom: All Recreational Boating Enthusiasts and FishermenBy Whom: Point Wilson Sail and Power Squadron Instructor: Gordan Lacey

Course Description: Defines electricity, discusses hands-on boat wiring, and explains DC and AC electrical systems and galvanic and stray current corrosion, outlines lightning protection guidelines, and the final classroom session will describe troubleshooting boat electrical problems. The class will also include detailed instructions on how to: 1) use a multi-meter, 2) solder and crimp electrical wiring circuits, and 3) read electrical wiring diagrams. This course is designed for boat owners to learn how to properly maintain their boat's electrical systems.

Where: NW School of Wooden Boatbuilding, 42 North Water Street, Port Hadlock

When: <u>9 Thursdays: starts March 16 and runs through May 4 with May 11 reserved for an</u> <u>extra class day in case it is needed</u>. <u>Time: 7:00-9:00 PM</u>.

How to register: Call Linda Newland, 360-437-9350 or email -- newlan2dL@aol.com

Cost: \$89 which includes text.

A discount is offered to family members who will be sharing a textbook. Squadron members' tuition will be discounted as well.

Why: To understand electrical systems and learn tips for trouble-shooting and properly maintaining your boat's electrical systems.



Decal Awareness Program (DAP)



There is a new replacement tool in the Vessel Safety Check (VSC) tool box called "DAP"-acronym for "Decal Awareness Program". The flyers and posters were designed to display the three primary aspects of the United States Power Squadrons: EDUCATION, SAFETY, and CAMARADERIE. Using the Vessel Safety Check decal at its nucleus is beneficial; since it is a recognizable symbol. Another benefit of the flyer is Squadrons and VEs can add their contact information electronically from their computer. Also displayed on the flyer is the Quick Response (QR) code for the USPS web site, plus a QR code for the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary VSC locater web site. This is a new National project that adheres to the USPS branding

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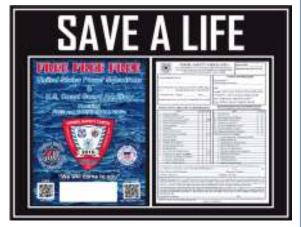
policy.

"Save a Life" boater safety signs were designed to be placed at recreational merchant locations and boat ramps. By including the Form 7012, boaters will know in advance what is expected in order to pass a VSC. One of the signs is designed to have a Squadron address box and the other is a Universal sign that combines the USPS and USCGAUX.

With your leadership and support, the Decal Awareness Program can increase the number of annual Vessel Safety Checks.

DAP Announcement quoted from <u>Safety Committee Webpage</u>

Member Site of the United States Power Squadrons® National Website



Publications and Resources



Click on the icons to open latest editions of the magazines and information.

Calendar of Events

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2016-2017 Calendar



Date	Day	Event	Location	Time
1/17/2017	Tuesday	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner	PTYC	5:30 PM
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2/6/2017	Monday	Ex Com Meeting	PLF&R	6:30 PM
2/16/2017	Thursday	ABC Class – First Session	NWSWBB	6:00 PM
2/21/2017	Tuesday	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner	PTYC	5:30 PM
2/23/2017	Thursday	ABC Class	NWSWBB	6:00 PM
3/2/2017	Thursday	ABC Class – Final Session	NWSWBB	6:00 PM
3/6/2017	Monday	Ex Com Meeting	PLF&R	6:30 PM
3/16/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class – First Session	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
3/21/2017	Tuesday	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner	PTYC	5:30 PM
3/23/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
3/30/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
4/3/2017	Monday	Ex Com Meeting	PLF&R	6:30 PM
4/6/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
4/13/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
4/18/2017	Tuesday	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner-Change of Watch	PTYC	5:30 PM
4/20/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
4/27/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
5/1/2017	Monday	Ex Com Meeting	PLF&R	6:30 PM
5/4/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class – Possible Final Class	NWSWBB	7:00 PM
5/11/2017	Thursday	Marine Electrical Systems Class – Possible Final Class	NSWBB	7:00 PM
5/16/2017	Tuesday	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner	PTYC	5:30 PM

PTYC Port Tow	nsend Yacht Club
PLF&R Port Ludl	ow Fire & Rescue
SL Seaport I	anding, 1201 Hancock Street, Port Townsend
NWSWBB NW Scho	ool of Wooden Boatbuilding, 42 Water Street, P





1 Jan Magnitude -4.3 Venus is 2 finger-widths to the waxing crescent moon's upper left at dusk.

2 Jan Tonight the moon lies between magnitude -4.3 Venus, less than 4 finger-widths to the lower right, and magnitude 0.9 Mars, less than 2 finger-widths to the upper left.

3 Jan The moon slides past Mars this evening and forms a straight line with Venus low in the southwest at dusk. Mars is 4 fingerwidths to the moon's lower right, and Venus lies 1 fist-width beyond Mars.

4 Jan At perihelion, Earth is 0.98331 AU from the sun, its closest approach for the year.

8 Jan At dusk magnitude 0.85 Aldebaran is 4 finger-widths to the moon's lower left. The Pleiades Cluster is the same distance above or to the upper left. Magnitude 0.24 Capella is more than 3 fist-widths to the left.

9 Jan The moon is to Aldebaran's lower left tonight, and magnitude 0.5 Betelgeuse is 1½ fist-widths below the moon near the horizon.

10 Jan The moon rises about 1½ hours before sunset, and Betelgeuse rises a few minutes after the moon 1 fist-with to the lower right. Later, they are high in the south with the Gemini Twins, Pollux and Castor, 2 fist-widths to the moon's left. The moon is at perigee, 363,000 kilometers away.

12 Jan By late evening, magnitude 0.46 Procyon is 1½ fist-widths to the right of the full moon, with the Gemini Twins the same distance to the upper left.

14 Jan High in the east by midnight, Regulus is less than 1 finger-width above the moon.

18 Jan Low in the south before dawn, magnitude -2.0 Jupiter is less than 1 fist-width to the waning gibbous moon's left or lower left. Magnitude 0.98 Spica is less than 2 finger-widths to Jupiter's lower left.

19 Jan Jupiter is less than 2 finger-widths to the lower right of the last-quarter moon, while Spica is below Jupiter. Mercury is at its greatest elongation, 24.1 degrees west of the sun, rising more than 1½ hours before the sun.

22 Jan The moon is at apogee, 405,000 kilometers away.

23 Jan Magnitude 0.96 Antares, the heart of the Scorpion, is less than 1 fist-width to the moon's lower right, low in the southwest before dawn. Magnitude 0.6 Saturn is 1 fist-width to the moon's lower left. Magnitude -0.2 Mercury lies 1½ fist-widths beyond Saturn.

24 Jan Low in the east before dawn Saturn is 1½ finger-widths to the moon's lower right.

25 Jan Magnitude 0.2 Mercury is less than 3 finger-widths to the moon's lower left before dawn.

31 Jan The moon, Venus and Mars form a tight triangle low in the west at dusk. Magnitude -4.6 Venus is less than 3 finger-widths to the moon's right or lower right, and magnitude 1.1 Mars is 1 finger-width to the moon's upper right.





Have something taking up space and collecting dust? List it on Barnacle Bill's

Contact: Gordan & Sherry Lacey

Sandra Smith-Poling

Worldwide and Maritime Scenes

Watercolor, Oil, Pen and Jnk are Available





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Studio: (360) 379-1178, email <u>spoling41@gmail.com</u>
Please visit <u>www.classicpaintings.net</u> for available prints/paintings. Commissions also accepted.



2016-2017 Bridge Officers & Committee Chairs

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Registration Form

USPS® District 16 | Spring Conference & Change of Watch | 10-12 March 2017

Full Name:	Phone:
Address:	Spouse/Guest name:
City/State/Zip:	Squadron:
Email address:	

Will you be attending the District conference without meals? Yes 🛛 First time attending a conference? Yes 🗌

Activity		Early Bird	After 14 Feb	No. People	Total
Friday	Registration 1500 - 1800				
Friday Night	Council Meeting 1700 - 1800				
Friday Night	No Host Bar Heavy Appetizers 1800 – 2030 * Live Entertainment *	\$25	\$30		
Saturday Breakfast	On one's own Restaurant on site	-	-		
Saturday Lunch	Turkey & bacon croissant with curried couscous, granola bar, fruit and water. No Bacon	\$20	\$25		
Saturday Afternoon	Coffee, Tea or Cocoa Brownies & Cookies	-	-		
Saturday Dinner	Country Chicken with apple, shallot & mushroom in sherry cream sauce, wild rice, corn on the cob, rice & biscuit, dessert	\$39	\$44		
	Blackened Salmon with wild rice and Caesar salad, dessert. Gluten free, except for dessert	\$39	\$44		
	Prefer Vegetarian	\$39	\$44		
Special Events					
Thursday	Lake Chelan Limo Wine Tour 1300 - 1700	\$55	-		
Thursday Night	Wine Maker's Dinner 1800	\$75	-		
Friday	Lake Chelan Limo Wine Tour 1300 - 1700	\$55	-		
Total	1	•			

Dietary Restrictions? _

Interested in Carpooling?	Driver	Room for of passengers
	🗆 Ride	No. in group
	Itinera	y: Departure Date & Time Return Date & Time

Please Note: This is an activity registration form. There is no charge for attending conference meetings. Early Bird prices apply for reservations postmarked no later than 14 February 2017.

PAYMENT

Make checks payable to:	Seattle Sail & Power	Squadron	(SSAPS)
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Questions? Call 206-257-1951

Hotel Reservations

Make your room reservations directly with Campbell's Resort at **1-800-553-8225**. When making reservations state that you are with the **"United States Power Squadron, Group #462965**" and please indicate if you desire a ground floor or handicapped room. ***The Resort has extended the room pricing for any additional days you might want to add to your travel plans*

k to: Pam Lombardi C/o Absolute Security Alarms 4910 15th Ave NW Seattle, WA 98107

Mail form and check to: