



The Point



Point Wilson Sail and Power Squadron

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From The Helm



Lessons learned at La Push:
How a fishing trip went bad--
really bad.

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a fishing trip that began in La Push that occurred over 30 years ago. The trip marked a rather dramatic transition from a very lucky, and very naïve, boater to a careful and well-prepared seaman. The story involves wind, fog, fuel and eventually a helicopter rescue. A complete lack of planning added to the excitement and to the many lessons learned which were learned the hard way, to be sure!

Ramsay Smith

"The Point" will be back online in September after the summer break. Have a fabulous summer of boating!

April General Meeting

Tues., May 17, 2016 @ 5:30 PM

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

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Squadron Education Officer's Report



Linda Newland, SEO

Bob Olbrych, Asst. SEO

The Weather class at Seaport Landing is finishing its coursework this month. Special thanks is due to our instructor, Chelcie Liu, and his accomplished assistant, Kathy Liu. Their willingness to provide and set up their personally-owned projection screen is greatly appreciated. The completion of this class will conclude this series of elective classes until September when we will offer the Engine Maintenance Course. We plan to offer another America's Boating Course (ABC) in October in addition to a couple of two-hour seminar courses. The seminar courses will be open to members and the public at no charge. Dates and times for these short courses will be announced later.

One of the Power Squadron's courses is being taught right now in our own Port Townsend High School (PTHS). A USPS certified instructor and regular PTHS Maritime Discovery teacher, Kelley Watson, is teaching the America's Boating Course to her class of high school students. These students will be taking the ABC exam this week and will soon be proud carriers of their WA State Boater's Cards. We've enjoyed partnering with Kelley in our local schools and these students are fortunate to be taking this course from such a capable instructor. Kelley also holds a US Coast Guard Merchant Marine Captain's License and brings to her classes a myriad of maritime experience, including tours of duty on Alaska fishing boats. I plan to visit her classroom to congratulate her students and award them with their certificates very soon. And, in conclusion, I plan to make a short pitch about joining our Point Wilson US Power Squadron organization.

Linda Newland, Squadron Education Officer



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The USPS Boat School will be held in conjunction with the District 16 Rendezvous on June 23rd and 24th. Coastal Navigator and Advanced Coastal Navigator certifications will be available. Certifier and Certifier Trainer training will also be offered.

Coastal Navigator certification will be offered on June 23rd and 24th. Advanced Coastal Navigator will be offered on June 23rd. Certifier and Certifier Trainer training will be offered both days. Inland Navigator Certifier training will be available.

The Boating Skills Virtual Trainer (boating simulator) will be available for trainees and certification candidates to brush up on existing skills and the new ANSI skills. The trainer will be available for all District 16 Rendezvous attendees to test their boating skills as well as learn new skills. The simulator will be available June 23rd, 24th and 25th in the dock classroom.

Registration for Coastal Navigator certification and Advanced Coastal Navigator certification is due by June 8th. Materials will be sent to registrants June 9th. Certifier and Certifier Trainer candidates should register by June 8th. A Passport will be needed for the Coastal Navigator and Advanced Coastal Navigator candidates.

Registration information can be sent to Boat Operator Certification Assistant Regional Director Jim West AP-ACN at jwestboater@comcast.net. Phone 360-312-6580.



Announcements

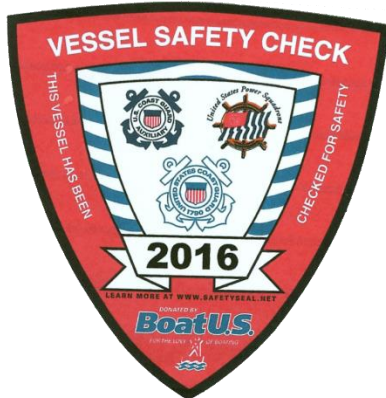


Publications and Resources



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Vessel Safety



Point Wilson Sail and Power Squadron offers Vessel Safety Checks, which is a Free Check of a vessel's equipment for compliance with Federal and State Safety Requirements. When your boat passes the inspection, you will receive a decal like the one to the left.

You may also want to complete the Virtual Vessel Safety Examination at <http://vdept.cgaux.org/vve/launch.htm>.

The Vessel Examiners performing this service have been trained to look for some of the common problems which might occur in your boat or its associated safety equipment.

PWSPS Examiner: Bob Monica (360) 344-2231



Calendar of Events



2016-2017 Calendar

Date	Day	Event	Location	Time
5/12/2016	Thurs.	Weather Class	SPLPT	7:00 PM
5/17/2016	Tues.	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner	PTYC	5:30 PM
5/19/2016	Thurs.	Weather Class	SPLPT	7:00 PM
5/26/2016	Thurs.	Weather Class	SPLPT	7:00 PM
6/6/2016	Mon.	Ex Com Meeting	PLF&R	6:30 PM
6/21/2016	Tues.	Squadron Meeting & Potluck Dinner	PTYC	5:30 PM
6/23/2016	Weekend	District 16 RENDEZVOUS	Poulsbo, WA	

PTYC

Port Townsend Yacht Club

PLF&R

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue

SPLPT

Seaport Landing, Port Townsend



Star Calendar



1-30 April 2016

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Gemini Twins	12	13	14
15	16 Jupiter	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- 6 May The moon is at **perigee**, 56.1 Earth-radii (358,000 kilometers) away. With perigee occurring 15 hours before the new moon, expect tidal extremes.
- 9 May **Mercury** is at **inferior conjunction** as it passes between the sun and Earth.
- 10 May The **Gemini Twins**, **Pollux** and **Castor**, are 1 fist-width to the moon's upper right low in the west tonight.
- 11 May Tonight, the **Gemini Twins** are 1 fist-width to the moon's right, and bright **Procyon** is 1 fist-width below the moon.
- 13 May High in the south at dusk, **Regulus**, in the constellation **Leo**, the Lion, is 2 finger-widths above the moon. **Jupiter** is 1½ fist-widths to the moon's upper left.
- 14 May Tonight, the moon is less than 2 finger-widths from **Jupiter**. **Regulus** is 1 fist-width to the moon's right.
- 15 May **Regulus**, **Jupiter**, the moon and **Spica** line up from upper right to lower left in the south this evening. Jupiter is 1 fist-width to the moon's upper right, and Spica is 3 fist-widths to the moon's lower left.
- 16 May The moon is midway between **Spica** and **Jupiter** tonight.
- 17 May **Spica** is less than 4 finger-widths to the moon's lower left this evening.
- 18 May The moon passes 3 finger-widths to **Spica's** left tonight. The moon is at **perigee**, 63.64 Earth-radii (406,000 kilometers) away.
- 19 May Low in the southeast at dusk, **Spica** is 1½ fist-widths to the moon's upper right, and **Mars** is 2 fist-widths to the moon's lower left.
- 21 May The full moon and **Mars** rise together, and by midnight, Mars is 3 finger-widths to the moon's lower right. **Antares**, the heart of **Scorpius**, is 1 fist-width below the moon. **Saturn** is 4 finger-widths to the moon's lower left.
- 22 May The moon, **Saturn** and **Antares** rise less than an hour after sunset. At **opposition**, **Mars** is on the opposite side of our sky from the sun. When it makes its closest approach to Earth in a few days, the red planet's face will be fully illuminated, at its brightest for the year and visible all night long.
- 23 May Low in the west before dawn, **Saturn** is 3 finger-widths to the moon's lower right, and **Mars** is more than 1 fist-width beyond Saturn.
- 24 May The moon is above the dome of **Sagittarius** this morning.
- 29 May Rising 4 hours before the sun, the last-quarter moon is high in the south at first light.
- 30 May **Mars** is closest to Earth, only 0.503 astronomical units away. At magnitude -2.0, it's near its -2.9 maximum brightness.



Barnacle Bill's



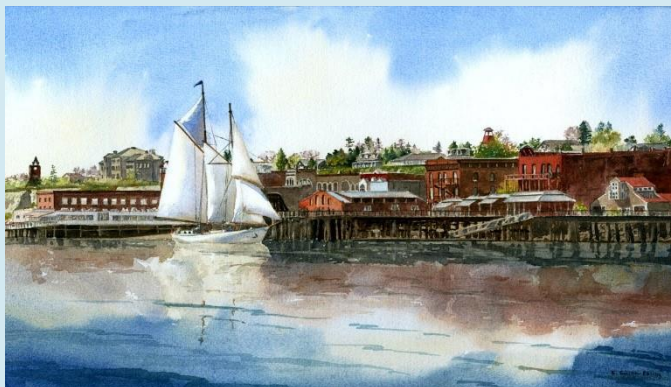
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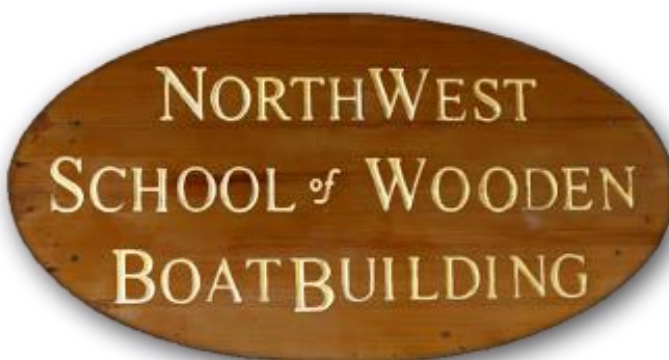


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