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District 16
United States
Sail and Power Squadron

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Mar. 27 & April 3	American Boating Course (ABC), Saturdays
April 13	ExCom meeting
April 22	Speaker meeting, Cliff Mass
April 14-May 26	Boat Handling course, Wednesday evenings
April 24	<i>Onboard Cooking</i> with Karen Online Seminar
May 8	Shrimping Seminar
May 11	ExCom meeting
May 13	Speaker meeting, Bob Stephens and Brian Woloshin

FROM YOUR SQUADRON COMMANDER,
PAT WATERS, JN

THE STATE OF THE SQUADRON, APRIL, 2021

“Thank you is the best prayer that anyone could say. I say that one a lot. Thank you expresses extreme gratitude, humility, and understanding.” Alice Walker



This is my last Spindrift article as your Commander. The last two years have been fun, exciting, and very unusual due to the

Pandemic. This past year of severe restrictions on meeting in person, closing the Canadian border and other things have forced us to change our way of doing business. District 16 has lost at least one squadron and over 150 members this past year.

However, thanks to our great officers working together, our squadron has not only survived, but thrived! I could not ask for better fellow officers to work with. After April 1st you will be in the capable hands of Shawn Haugen as your new Commander. I wish him all good fortune this coming year!

The turnout for the annual business meeting was a disappointment, as only 14 members joined into the Zoom meeting. However, the Bylaw changes were approved as well as the annual budget for this coming squadron year. In addition, your new officers were approved. See list of new officers for 2021-2022 in this Spindrift. Who won the \$100 prize? **Monem**, who quickly donated it back to the squadron for our Education Fund. Thanks, **Monem**! For those members that did not attend, you can see the complete presentation on our [website under Login](#). Sign in and the March Meeting tab will appear, Enjoy the presentation, it is good overall review of our year as well as the yearly business we needed to do.

The bylaw changes were then submitted to the National Bylaws Committee who have now approved them. You can find the complete updated bylaws on our squadron website under [Login](#).

In addition, The DBA (Doing Business As), “America’s Boating Club of Deception Pass” was approved by the District officers at the Spring Conference. It has now



been submitted to the Wash. State Dept. of Revenue. You can also see it for the first time on clothing in this Spindrift. Awesome!

I wish to thank several incredibly special people who contributed a great amount of time and skills to make all the good things happen this past year!

SEO STEVE PYE

Hands down our most outstanding, hardworking member this year was Steve! If we had a member of the year award, he would be the winner! He pushed and pulled us into the digital online process of using Zoom for our meetings, courses, and seminars. Thanks to him, even with a late start, we managed to accomplish our first online *ABC course*, and we are just starting the second one. We had one *Boat Handling course* this year and will start another In April. He also helped us put together a *Partners in Command* seminar

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earlier this year. All the courses and seminars were well attended, and we obtained a good number of new members from them. What is more, some of the other squadrons are now looking for guidance from Steve to create their own online classes.

Thanks also to Steve, we are now teaching students in other squadrons online and they are teaching some of our members. For example, one of our members is currently in a Piloting course taught by another squadron and we have offered all our current Boat Handling students to take a Piloting course taught in April/May by the Seattle Squadron.

In this coming year, Steve will be our squadron Treasurer. **Way to go Steve!!**

AO BOB MCCRARY

We started exploring Zoom by Bob offering just outstanding speaker meetings to our members and other squadrons. His first speaker was from the NW Maritime Center and was just outstanding! Not only that, afterwards, we engaged in a beneficial symbiotic relationship with them. We advertise their events in our Spindrift. They advertise our courses, seminars, and other activities in their publication, *48 North*. A win-win situation for both organizations!

Bob has followed his first speaker meeting up with others from Waggoner, the Whidbey Weekly and the US Merchant Marine. Coming in April I am so excited to first tell you that in the evening of Tuesday, April 13, he has scheduled the premier weather expert in the Northwest, **Cliff Mass** to speak! Wow! My very favorite weather expert! See him on his blog, [Cliff Mass Weather Blog](#). I check it every morning. Flyer in back of the newsletter.

One real benefit of online speaker meetings is that we can offer them also to potential members, the public, and other squadrons. In return, other squadrons invite us to their online speaker meetings. Bob also volunteered to be the coordinator of our various efforts to help the local community and our health care workers during the pandemic Bob will serve as our Admin Officer for another year. **Thank you Bob!**

PR&M JENNIFER GELLER

The other person who has been a guiding light for our squadron and others is Jennifer. She has brought a whole new look and scope to our advertising and marketing. A real innovator that pushed us into marketing adventures we had never considered! She has been a real contributor to our membership drive success as well as gaining students for our courses and seminars. She has established us as the expert voice of boating safety and knowledge in our region. In recognition, our District officers have asked her to put together a marketing training session for other squadrons in our district. Also, in recognition, we worked with District and National officers to make the position of Public Relations & Marketing a voting member of our ExCom by successfully changing our bylaws. This change will set an example for other squadrons to follow in the future. We are pleased that Jennifer has agreed to serve as PR&M Officer for another year.

Jennifer I send you my appreciation!

TREASURER MIKE MCGILL

Mike, with help from others, did an outstanding job of controlling our income and expenditures this year. In a year where our ambitious goal was to just stay even with last year, we are currently \$3,300 ahead of last year! We currently have over \$10,500 in the squadron's bank account. **Awesome Mike!**

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER HILLER WEST

Unlike most of the other squadrons in the district, we were one of the very few that had an increase in membership! Hiller was our leader in this, and we recruited 20 new members this past year, increasing our total members from 72 to 82! How did we do that? Certainly, what helped is getting our online *ABC* and *Boat Handling* courses up and running. We also recruited new members by opening our New Member Orientation seminar (now called *Charting Your Way*) to the public. This enables them to learn who we are and what we offer. We also held several Mentor training workshops and we now need new mentors for the incoming new members. We also reached out to several other organizations like the South Whidbey Yacht Club. They have a number of boaters who moor their vessels in Oak Harbor and are interested in our courses, seminars and membership. **Hiller we appreciate all you have done!**

SAFETY OFFICER JERRY LIGGETT

The position of Safety Officer was new to our squadron this year. Jerry filled that role with a number of great safety articles published in our Spindrift. These articles are especially important to our newer members and several of them have thanked us for the articles. In addition, Jerry was the person behind our unbelievable two Crab pot sales that netted \$2,270 for our Education Fund! He worked with **Bernice Gill** to contact Washington State Fish and Game, borrowed a large trailer, towed it to the mainland, collected the pots, line and buoys and then sold them in the OH marina parking lot! Not only did that earn a lot of funds, but it also gave our squadron good visibility to the public. And the great news? Jerry has agreed to continue as Safety Officer in the coming year. **Superb job Jerry!**

SERAT LEADER BILL COLTRIN

Bill has served as our SERAT leader for two years now. He has taken the concept from just getting started to our current program, which is fully activated and reports to the Island County Dept. of Emergency Management. We have 21 volunteers and 6 boats signed up. The volunteers are trained and ready to respond to provide search and rescue support to the CG and local fire departments as well as moving people and supplies around the island in a major emergency such as an earthquake. They have identified over 30 sites on the island suitable for loading and unloading people and supplies. We have also had several other squadrons contact us to gather information to set up their own **SERAT** programs. **Outstanding job Bill!**

WEBMASTER & SPINDRIFT EDITOR SUE WATERS

Last but certainly not least is my wonderful talented wife Sue who spent many, many hours tending to the website and resourcefully edits the monthly newsletters. She also helped this Commander in numerous ways, always with a smile and 'can do' attitude. She also put together the QR code for direct access to our website from our flyers for courses and seminars. Sue worked with [Clever Kathy's Design](#) to create the squadron logo and brand name for the clothing you can now order online. See more details under Ship's Store in this Spindrift. The best news? Sue has agreed to serve another year as your webmaster and newsletter editor. **Sue you are just AWESOME!**

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PANDEMIC VOLUNTEERS

A special thanks to all our members who have spent countless hours helping others during the pandemic!

Many of our members are making non-surgical cloth masks (over 2000 by one member) and distributing these to local health and public workers. Some are helping neighbors by shopping and delivering groceries to them. Others have volunteered to keep in contact with neighbors who are challenged medically and/or by age. Some are cooking and helping serve at the local dining café for the homeless. Others are distributing food at our local food banks. Some are driving vans to pick up and move our homeless population to dining facilities and shelters. We worked daily at the county Dept. of Emergency Management to recruit volunteers to help at the various vaccination clinics occurring on both Whidbey and Camano Islands.

Thanks to our many members volunteering!

The list of those committing to serve and approved is attached. As you can see, there is several positions we need to still fill. **Please volunteer. You will find it a rewarding experience! This is a volunteer organization. If you do not volunteer, we will cease to exist! Contact Shawn to volunteer!**

Since we have all these new members, we are in desperate need for trained **mentors!** That means you! We need more of you to volunteer to be mentors! It is easy, fun, and rewarding! I will teach another online **Mentor Training Workshop** again as soon as I have 10 or more new volunteers. Please send me an email and tell me you are interested! Our new members need you!

We now need to train **new instructors** for our classes, as well as recertify our existing instructors. Please let me know if you would like to volunteer to be an instructor in our courses and seminars. It is easy to do, extremely fun, rewarding and up to you what you want to teach. We have all the tools you need to make it a success.

Stay warm, stay well, stay safe.

Pat



FROM THE DESK OF OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SHAWN HAUGEN

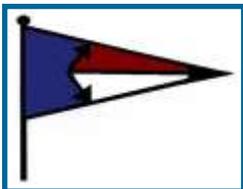


Finally. Spring is here! Or so they tell me. It doesn't really feel like it yet. I'm sure the warm weather is right around the corner and so begins the never ending boat projects. Later this year I plan to haul out and redo my bottom paint. It's a little past time but I like to get every dollar out of it before I commit to applying more paint that is designed to fall off! Also this year the boat gets new deck paint. In fact the season hasn't officially started yet and I'm already wondering if I'll actually get to go boating. I don't know the older I get the longer it takes me to get things done. I'm not sure what happened there. I used to do 10 things in a day and now takes me 10 days to do one thing. For those of you who's boats are ready to go let me remind you it is whale season. I've already heard reports of people seeing whales when they were out so that's something to look forward to for sure.

Also there's fishing. And speaking of fishing our very own **Bernice Gill** has an offer exclusively for Power Squadron members first for anyone looking for fishing tackle and gear. Her husband Mel is selling his poles and reels as well as his tackle. For those of you who don't know Mel is a fishing expert! He even makes his own lures so anyone interested give Bernice a call and set up a time to check it out. I'm gonna! Bernice's phone number is (360) 301-1989 and be sure and tell her your with the Power Squadron. She's also an expert on shrimping in our area! So let's get after those boat projects so we're ready to go when we finally turn from jackets to sun-screen!



Lastly let's take a moment to honor our outgoing Commander Pat Waters for his excellent stewardship of our squadron through a tumultuous time. He likes to say "we not only survive but thrive!" Through his (and others) tireless efforts we did just that. I'm just glad he's not going far because I'm going need him! **THANK YOU PAT!**



LET'S STAY CONNECTED WITH OUR BOATING PARTNERS -
OAK HARBOR YACHT CLUB

<https://www.ohyc.org/> Oak Harbor Yacht Club website

<https://www.ohyc.org/newsletter> Oak Harbor Yacht Club newsletters

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICER
BOB MCCRARY**

It is my pleasure to announce that Dr. Cliff Mass will be our Online Speaker on Thursday, April 22. Cliff is the preeminent expert on Northwest Weather and has extensive insights into how weather effects the boating community.

On May 13 we will feature Bob Stephens and Brian Woloshin who will speak on short wave radio and onboard communications, respectively. As is the custom in the Squadron, we suspend member speaker meetings for the summer so we all can focus on boating and other outdoor activities.

Happy spring to everybody!
Bob

SHIP'S STORE has it's [own page](#) on our website- found under the ABOUT tab.

New ABC of Deception Pass artwork is now available for you to use for your orders



Kathy is very helpful and her turn around time, is nearly immediate-unless she must order from her suppliers a specific item you have requested. She threw in as a gift the mousepad and a keychain with my last order-



Kathy Felker's store is located in this building

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**EDUCATION OFFICER
LT/C STEVE PYE , AP**

We have completed one *ABC* class and started a second *ABC* class on March 27, with the second session scheduled for April 3. This class has 8 students plus is being monitored by an ASEO from Seattle squadron who is responsible for their *ABC* classes.

Boat Handling has 18 registered students and all 18 took the exam on Wednesday March 24. These tests have to be graded by National, so we don't know the results yet. Kudos to our instructors Steppe, Jerry L, Monem, Pat, Jen, Bob, Fred, and Jerry B, whose shining example brought 12 new people into our Squadron. Some of these students have enrolled with the Seattle squadron to take the *Navigation (aka Piloting)* course they are offering in April.

A second *Boat Handling* course is scheduled to start April 14. Pat Waters will be taking over as SEO on April 1, but I will be around during the transition. Thanks for all the help that everyone has provided during my time as SEO and please help Pat by volunteering to be an instructor.



**SERAT
BILL COLTRIN**

The concept for the **SERAT** (Squadron Emergency Response Assistance Team) is a tremendous idea for those of us who live on an island. We have the access to boats, and the skills and knowledge to use them to help our fellow man in the event of an emergency.

Please support the future commander and leadership of the **SERAT** activity in providing support to the emergency services on the island, in the event of a major emergency.

It has been an interesting two years and I have enjoyed the experience. Please give your full support to the next leadership team.

Respectfully,
Bill Coltrin

Boat Safety

Jerry Liggett

Welcome to March and it's about time to dust off the boat and get back on the water!

This month we are going to post some information that is a popular boat or RV improvement that has some significant safety value in it.

Many of us have boats that are not exactly "factory fresh". There are improvements that can bring them a bit more to current than they are. We wonder if the "cost/ benefit analysis" is worth it. I am referring to updating or upgrading you boats lighting to LED.

Here are some fun facts for you about LED lighting.

1. During my review I had a chance to discuss the matter with a local LED distributor. There was a rather scientific display with an incandescent bulb and an amp meter. When the bulb was turned on the amp meter pegged at 100+%. The incandescent was turned off and the LED equivalent was turned on and the amp meter read 5%.

So, the LED consumes 1/20 the energy that an incandescent does.

The distributor that I spoke with had replacement bulbs for \$15 each..

Ensure that your replacement bulbs are equivalent brightness to your existing bulb and make sure the bulbs have matching bases. "Cool Bulbs" are brighter and whiter light, "Warm Bulbs" have a dimmer and have a yellow color hue.

2. Getting started, you will need to identify the base type for your bulbs. Take one bulb out of each socket, you may have 2 or more types of bulb bases. One may look like an automotive taillight another might have a flat base.

Go online and look for 12v LED replacement bulbs. Match the base type to yours. [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) is a good choice and one of my bulb types was 20 bulbs for \$15.00. So, my entire boat and RV cost about \$30.00 to complete.

When I removed one of the old incandescent bulbs from its fixture, the bulb was black from heat and the plastic cover had significant heat damage to it. Incandescent generate a lot of heat, LED Does NOT!

3. Problems!

In my boat, I replaced about 12 bulbs and 4 of them didn't work. I removed the nonworking bulbs and placed them in a fixture that had a working LED bulb in it. The bulbs worked in that fixture. LED bulbs are for the most part POLARITY SPECIFIC. 4 of my fixtures were reverse wired from the factory. Simple fix is 1. test polarity with your circuit tester. 2. reverse the wires on the back of the fixture. All my LEDs now worked.

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Using LED for NAV Lighting. All NAV Lighting has to be Coast Guard Approved. You need to verify that before using your less expensive bulbs for NAVIGATION Lights or Anchor Lights.

Not all LED Lights are dimmable. If you need that function (instrument or dash lights) then ensure that you get "dimmable" bulbs.

4. Benefits

My current LED Lighting is brighter than the incandescent bulbs and I have found that a bit more light as we mature... is a good thing.

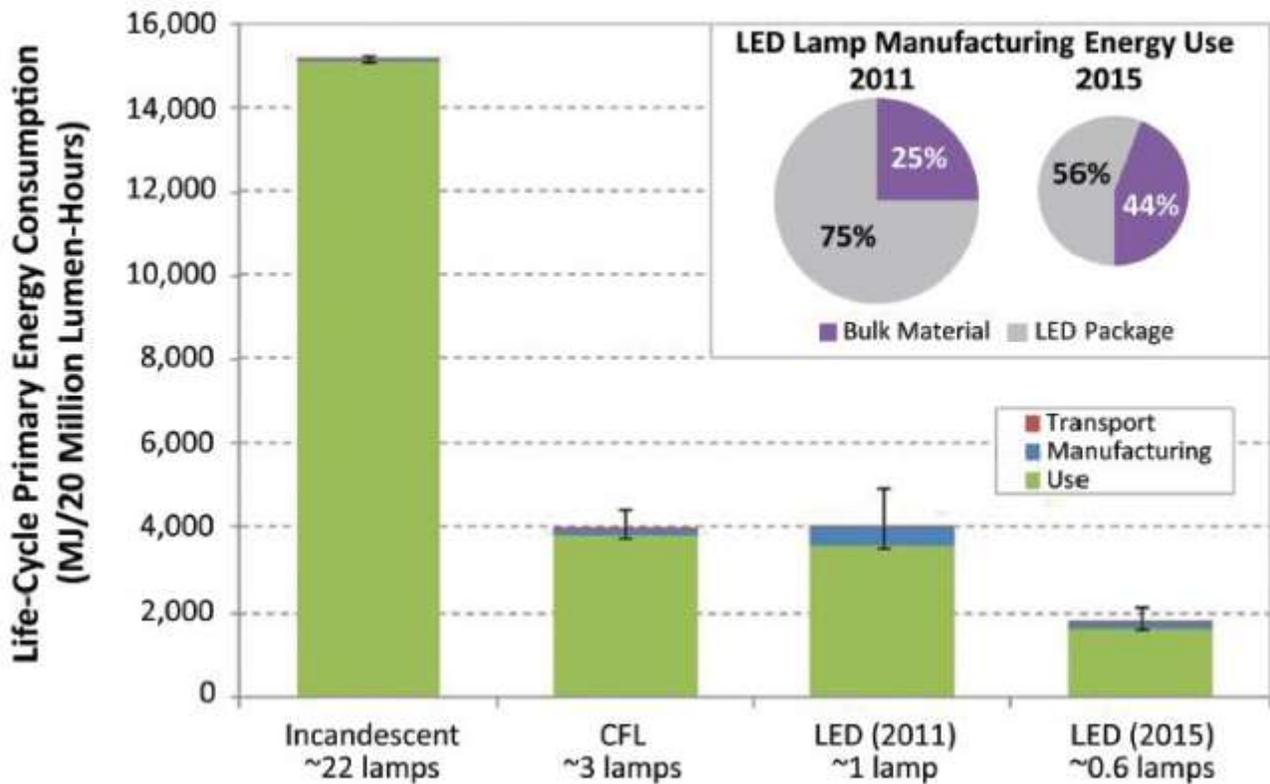
My batteries last much longer, especially when you consider leaving an LED Anchor light on all night.

No more overheating bulbs and danger of fire.

Best to you and let's get back on the water!

Jerry

Life-Cycle Energy Consumption of Incandescent, CFL, and LED Lamps



**MESSAGE FROM
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING
JENNIFER GELLER**

DANGER AT LOW TIDE

You may have heard about the local ten-year-old girl, stuck in the mud, up to her shoulders, being rescued by the fire department earlier this month. She and her mom were out exploring at low tide, and were about 30 feet from shore when she sank into the mud.

According to news reports, paramedics were the first on the scene and began manually digging her out. Fire and Rescue, state parks personnel and Navy Search and Rescue also responded. The rising tide added to the precarious situation, but it had a happy ending.

A year ago, my daughter and I were walking the beach at low tide on Penn Cove, and found myself in the same situation. What a shock to find yourself stuck in quicksand ... something I thought only happened in movies.

According to a recent Facebook post by the Oak Harbor Fire Department, it's very tempting to explore the mud-flats at the local beaches when tides are low. It can be very dangerous. The sand/mud can be very unstable and you may become stuck in the "quicksand". Avoid risk of injury, exposure, and drowning and **STAY OFF THE MUD**.

- **In the event of an emergency, try not to panic.**
- **Spread your weight as much as possible to avoid getting stuck.**
- **Be aware of tide times.**
- **Warn others who may try to assist you.**
- **Call 9-1-1.**
- **Keep your dog on a leash, they're also at risk in mud.**



Somehow, and I'm just not sure how we did it, my daughter got me "unstuck" and I managed to crawl to safer ground. The situation was made even more memorable, because after she knew I was safe, she laughed at me (or the situation, as she says), then promptly fell on her face. All I know for sure was that not panicking and quick-thinking saved us.

BOATING ACTIVITIES

PC BOB NELSON JN IN

Cruise plan update: The Island Hoppers of the Whidbey Pirates moved their shakedown cruise to April 29. - May 1. They have 16 boats going to [Cap Sante Marina](#).

There will be other cruises to sign up for in the future as this is a fun group that just started a new organization. They used to be part of the yacht club. I'll publish an updated cruise schedule in next month's *Spin-drift*. If there is enough interest, DPSPS can start our own cruise group.

Safe cruising,

Bob, Contact me at nelsre@gmail.com.

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Sat 10am-2:30pm

AMAZON SMILE

A REMINDER ON HOW TO DONATE TO OUR SQUADRON

Your ExCom has passed a motion last year to set up an **AmazonSmile** account for our squadron. Our members and others can now make donations to our squadron in support of our education program when they make a purchase using AmazonSmile. It is totally free to both our squadron and our members and easy to sign up. When you make a purchase, Amazon donates to our squadron. [Here is the link](#)



U.S. COAST GUARD ANNOUNCES NEW LAW REQUIRING USE OF ENGINE CUT-OFF SWITCHES

POSTED BY [CWO KURT FREDRICKSON](#) ON [MARCH 17, 2021](#) •

Operators of recreational vessels less than 26 feet in length will be required to use an engine cut-off switch (ECOS) and associated ECOS link (ECOSL) as of April 1, 2021, as the U.S. Coast Guard implements a law passed by Congress.

The ECOS and ECOSL prevent runaway vessels and the threats they pose. The ECOSL attaches the vessel operator to a switch that shuts off the engine if the operator is displaced from the helm. The ECOSL is usually a lanyard-style cord that attaches to an ECOS either in close proximity to the helm or on the outboard motor itself if the vessel is operated by a tiller. When enough tension is applied, the ECOSL disengages from the ECOS and the motor is automatically shut down. Wireless ECOS have recently been developed and are also approved for use. These devices use an electronic “fob” that is carried by the operator and senses when it is submerged in water, activating the ECOS and turning the engine off. Wireless devices are available on the aftermarket and are beginning to become available as manufacturer-installed options.

Each year, the Coast Guard receives reports of recreational vessel operators who fall off or are suddenly and unexpectedly thrown out of their boat. These events have led to injuries and deaths. During these incidents the boat continues to operate with no one in control of the vessel, leaving the operator stranded in the water as the boat continues on course, or the boat begins to circle the person in the water eventually striking them, often with the propeller. These dangerous runaway vessel situations put the ejected operator, other users of the waterway, marine law enforcement officers, and other first responders in serious danger.

Section 503 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018 required manufacturers of covered recreational vessels (less than 26 feet in length, with an engine capable of 115 lbs. or more of static thrust) to equip the vessel with an ECOS installed as of December 2019. Owners of recreational vessels produced after December 2019 are required to maintain the ECOS on their vessel in a serviceable condition. It is recommended that recreational vessel owners regularly check their existing ECOS system to ensure it works properly, following manufacturer’s instructions.

Section 8316 of the Elijah E. Cummings Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2020 requires individuals operating covered recreational vessels (less than 26 feet in length, with an engine capable of 115 lbs. or more of static thrust, which equates to about 3 horsepower or more) to use ECOS “links” while operating on plane or above displacement speed. Using the ECOSL is not required when the main helm is installed within an enclosed cabin. Common situations where ECOSL use would not be required include docking/trailing, trolling, and operating in no-wake zones.

Seven states currently have ECOS use laws for recreational vessels, and 44 states have ECOS use laws for personal watercraft (PWC).

Boaters are encouraged to check the U.S. Coast Guard website for additional information on this new use requirement and other safety regulations and recommendations: <https://uscgboating.org/recreational-boaters/engine-cut-off-switch-faq.php>

This blog is not a replacement or substitute for the formal posting of regulations and updates or existing processes for receiving formal feedback of the same. Links provided on this blog will direct the reader to official publications, such as the Federal Register, Homeport and the Code of Federal Regulations. These publications remain the official source for regulatory information published by the Coast Guard.



Coast Guard Introduces Email Subscription Service for Mariner Notices

The U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center (NAVCEN) has completed its Maritime Safety Information (MSI) upgrade in the Pacific Northwest and now offer Broadcast Notice to Mariners (BNM) via email in addition to radio broadcasts.

The online subscription service is a supplement to the standard BNM broadcasts over VHF-radio that previously were the only way to receive this vital navigational information. Mariners can now use this new service to plan for underway periods and receive updates to navigational hazards in near real-time without having to wait on scheduled VHF-radio broadcasts.

Mariners who operate in Oregon and Washington, including the Columbia and Snake River systems should visit the NAVCEN website and subscribe for email delivery of BNMs at: <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=feeds>

BNMs are organized by Coast Guard Sector and mariners can subscribe to one, two, or all three Sectors within the 13th District area:

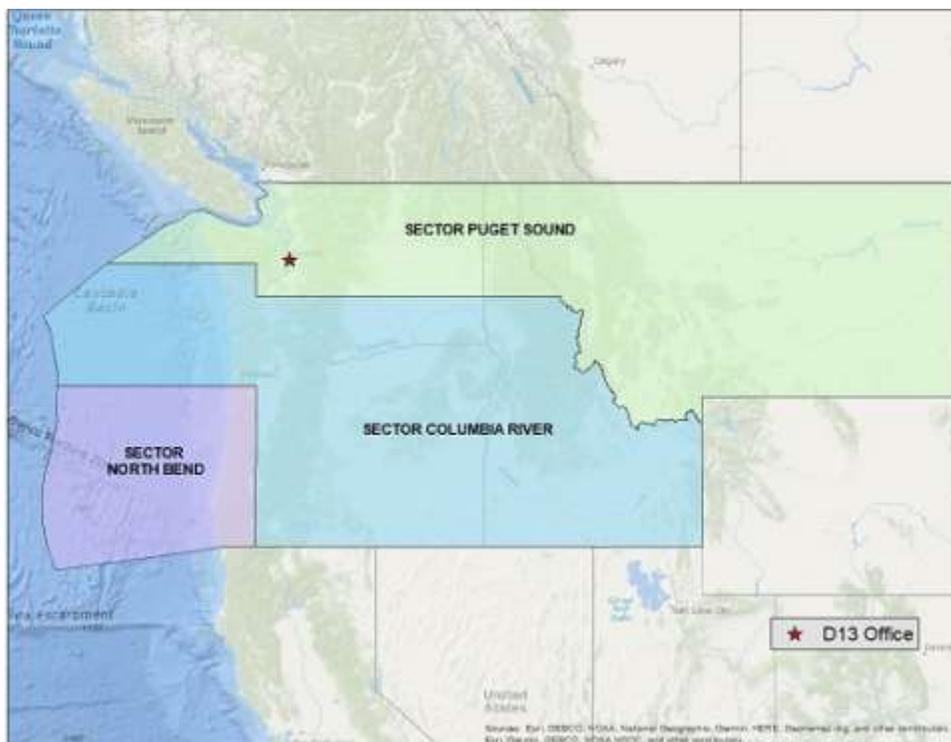
- Sector North Bend – Southern and central Oregon coast and rivers

- Sector Columbia River – Northern Oregon coast, southern and central Washington coast, Columbia, Snake, and Willamette Rivers

- Sector Puget Sound – Northern Washington coast, Strait of Juan de Fuca, San Juan Islands and neighboring straits, Puget Sound, and Lake Washington

Additionally, NAVCEN has developed an online BNM archive that is searchable and available to the public. BNMs can be viewed and downloaded from this database on the NAVCEN website at: <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/bnmmessages/DistrictSearchV1.php?d=13&i=3>.

For any questions regarding these new services in the 13th District, please contact the office of Waterways Management at (206) 220-7280 or D13-SMB-D13-LNM@uscg.mil





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Zoom sign-in info will be emailed/ Registration deadline April 7

Contact Pat Waters

at frenchsailor@comcast.net or (360)720-2589



Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron



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JOIN US AT OUR APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021
6:30-8:30 P.M. ZOOM FORMAT

Join us for an evening with the renowned Dr. Cliff Mass, professor of Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Washington. You'll recognize him as a popular radio personality and blogger in our region, and author of the book *The Weather of the Pacific Northwest*. His areas of expertise include numerical weather modeling and prediction, the role of topography in the evolution of weather systems, regional climate modeling, and the weather of the Pacific Northwest.



Zoom link and instructions to join in will be emailed to members and guests prior to the start of the meeting. Brief business meeting will start the evening off. Questions? Please contact Bob McCrary at rmccrary09@gmail.com or (916) 206-1114



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SPRING CONFERENCE | POULSBO RENDEZVOUS REGISTRATION

If you missed the District Spring Conference and Change of Watch, you can view and or download the recorded zoom conference. If you choose to download the video, please be aware the file size is rather large, at 1.13 GB. Probably the better option is to view it online through your Dropbox account. If you don't have a Dropbox account, you may sign up for a free account from the screen options. <http://bit.ly/d16meeting>

And for your viewing pleasure the District Officers and Squadron Commander's Annual Reports are available to review on our website. Just go to <https://www.uspsd16.org/event-minutes>, to find out the accomplishments of our Squadrons and the District this past year.

When prompted, the password is **Boating-4fun**

The District bridge has organizing a simplified version of the Poulsbo Rendezvous for June 10-13, 2021. E-Dock has been reserved, and a block of rooms have been secured at the Poulsbo Inn for those who wish to drive. We will have meals separately, but with socialization among boaters and dock visitors. Signup by downloading the District Poulsbo Rendezvous registration form below, and please return your completed form and your payment to P/D/C Craig Brown before May 24th.

Poulsbo Rendezvous Registration Form on next page

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Annual D16 Rendezvous at Port of Poulsbo: 11-13 June 2021

Registration:

Name(s): _____
Phone: _____

Squadron: _____
Email: _____

*****If you are coming for any of the rendezvous events PLEASE register***
Registering only for events/fellowship (no moorage) circle YES**

All moorage reservations must be received per below prior to May 24, 2021.

No guarantee for moorage will be given after this date!!

Friday Night Social: No host (BYOB&F) "Boat Tail Party" from 1700 to 1930 on "E Dock". Participants eat on their boat's tail (stern) or those without a boat eat on the dock. This provides an opportunity to socialize while observing current COVID guidelines.

We recommend boats are "stern in" to facilitate COVID socializing.

Saturday Skills: Flare shoot (fire real flares) & Fire Extinguisher (put out a real fire) training.

Saturday Dine on your own: Dine on your boat, the dock or one of the fine restaurants in Poulsbo.

MOORAGE Reservations:

- **Pay a nonrefundable \$5 for moorage reservation prior to May 24, 2021.**
- Pay moorage fee to Port of Poulsbo Marina after arrival. The moorage fee is **\$1.15/foot** (30' minimum) + **.75/visit + \$5/night** (30 amp electrical).
- Please **circle your "1st choice" of moor:** bow in port bow in starboard stern in port stern in starboard
- Please **circle your "2nd choice" of moor:** bow in port bow in starboard stern in port stern in starboard
- Please **circle Arrival Day:** (Wednesday) (Thursday) (Friday) (Saturday)
- **Estimated arrival time:** _____

Boat Name: _____ **LOA** _____ **Beam** _____ **Draft** _____

Special Considerations: _____ (will try to accommodate)

Prior to entering the marina hail "America's Boating Club" on Ch72 for docking instructions (no self-assigning slips).

Non-refundable Moorage Reservation Fee (\$5.00): \$ _____

LODGING:

Call Poulsbo Inn @ 360-779-3921 or 360-779-9737. Reference "America's Boating Club/Power Squadron" for group rate of **\$97.00 plus tax for King** or **\$92.0 plus tax for 2 Queens**. **Group block rate closes May 24, 2021.** Please make your hotel reservations early. **Make hotel reservation and payment directly with the hotel.**

Registration form and payment must be received prior to May 24, 2021. Please Send to:

Make payment out to "USPS District 16"

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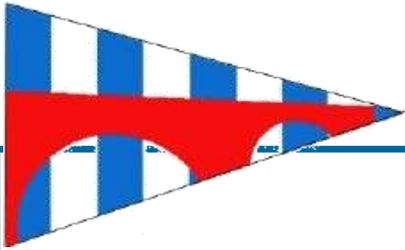
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A NOTE FROM YOUR EDITOR

This is your newsletter to distribute information that pertains to your squadron, District 16 squadrons and national headquarters. Reminders are sent out on the 20th of each month prior to publishing the next edition, to the Executive Officers. Input by the 27th will be appreciated.

Together we can communicate opportunities to further our knowledge with upcoming classes and events that will facilitate time out on the Salish Seas.

Please feel free to send me your photos you would like to share to help illustrate this newsletter. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

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