

September 2023

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America's Boating Club of Deception Pass

Member Meeting and Potluck
Tuesday, September 19, 6 p.m.
Oak Harbor Yacht Club

SOMETIMES, SHIP HAPPENS

A time to share boating mishaps, adventures or bloopers. We've all had them, and maybe would prefer not to share - but please do, and help fellow-squadron- members learn from your mistakes.

Come prepared to share one incident with the group. Include what you think you did wrong, and most importantly, what you did do right! (we all have something to learn from these situations!)

If you have a photo from the situation, please email to Jerry jligngett4@hotmail.com a few days, or week, prior to the meeting, so he can share with the group.

We will not be laughing at you, but with you. And learning right along with you.

RSVP to Commander Jerry at jligngett4@hotmail.com.

Potluck: bring a hearty appetizer, salad, or one-dish meal.



A NOTE FROM COMMANDER JERRY

Greetings Boaters!

I hope your summer season has been blessed with time on the water or at least sharing with friends who are inclined to be out on it.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 19 at the OHYC.

Pink Salmon season is here! Re-read last month's Commander's Notes for the article on gear, location, and techniques for Pink Salmon fishing! We've got some classes coming up. We are now entering the busy time for our club. One main reason we've joined America's Boating Club is for

the essential boat safety training that is provided to us and that we provide to others. We have scheduled another ABC's of Boating Class for Sept 30 and Oct 7, 2023, at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club. Our SEOs (Squadron Education Officers) have additional classes to advance skills - including Boat Handling, Marine Piloting and Advanced Piloting, in the works for 2024. (continued on next page)





A Note From Commander Jerry (continued from page one)

can't stress enough how we need your participation! Unfortunately, we have some extremely talented instructors who are moving, or will be moving, to another chapter in their lives and will not be available to teach much longer.

As I have said in recent meetings, each of us has a job in the organization. A most important job is that of an instructor. We Save Lives!

While we still have our veteran instructors, we will restart our instructor shadowing program. This is where we each become part of a single subject team and learn from the masters. (a single subject could be docking, anchoring, rules of the road, etc). Through the shadowing program, you will become a subject matter expert in your class and become a more confident boater.

Our national organization offers an Instructor Development Class. You will learn the techniques to be a competent and confident instructor. Upon completion, you will become a nationally certified instructor.

I look forward to seeing you on the 19th!

Jerry Liggett

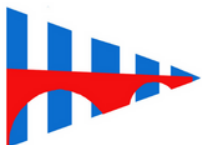


A TWO-DAY

INTRODUCTORY BOATING SKILLS AND CERTIFICATION COURSE

AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE

Join us on Saturdays, September 30, and October 7, 2023. This is a two-day, introductory boating class. Successful completion of the course will qualify you for the Washington State Boater Education Card now required for most boaters. Visit our website at www.deceptionpassailandpowersquadron.com for more info



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