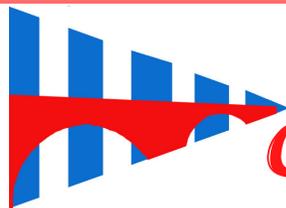


July 2022



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Hi everyone! I hope this finds you happy and healthy, enjoying summer in the PNW. In May, Jerry Liggett got us ready for the start of boating season with his ever-popular shrimping seminar.

Last month, we brought back the "Marine Swap Meet" in partnership with the Oak Harbor Yacht Club and by all accounts, it was a big success! Jerry Liggett and I sold another \$1000 in crab pots, which goes straight to our community education/public safety funds (Thanks for all you do Jerry)! We even managed to sell that anchor we've all been tripping over in our storage unit. After that, Reg White and Hannah Martin taught students boating safety at Broad View Elementary and for the general public at Snow Isle Library. (Really well done- both of you!)

Normally, Reg's brother Chip helps him but Chip suffered a very serious accident while working aloft on his sailboat. Because of his grit and determination, Chip is expected to recover, but it will take many months of physical rehabilitation so please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Fortunately Hannah Rhodes (Lt/C Steve Martin's wife) fully stepped up to help Reg despite her having to complete college finals and a busy sailboat racing season. THANK YOU HANNAH!

Steve and I will be manning a booth at Fort Casey August 20th for one of their open houses. We will be promoting Americas Boating Club of Deception Pass and distributing safe-boating materials.

I hope you all got the "save the date email" I sent regarding an invitation to Oak Harbor Yacht Club on Wednesday July 20.

It begins at 5pm for drinks followed by a pasta dinner with a speaker covering the changes in law entering Canada for those who want to venture north.

In September our very own Steppe will give a much more detailed "Cruising North" seminar" on Saturday September 17th from 9am to 1pm. That is a very popular event so plan accordingly! Speaking of September, I don't think we will have time for an August party like I'd hoped so the plan is to move it to September and kick off our general meeting season right! Details to follow, and as always suggestions are much appreciated! That's all for now! Have a great boating season and be safe out there!

Cheers!
Commander Shawn



Guess where this was taken? (Yes, that's my mom!)

Happenings

Wednesday, July 20 - Update on Boating & Entering Canada - "post-covid times"

Oak Harbor Yacht Club 5 p.m.

Saturday, August 20 - Fort Casey Open House/squadron booth

Saturday, September 17 - Cruising North/A Seminar on Exploring Canada by Boat

Oak Harbor Yacht Club 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Man Overboard Rescue Kit

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If someone falls in the water, having a man overboard rescue kit on your boat can aid in your rescue attempts.

Your man overboard kit should contain:

- **stand-up pole with flag**
- **whistle**
- **signal mirror**
- **strobe light**
- **attached life ring, and**
- **signal flashlight**

You should learn and, if possible, practice these steps to perform a proper man overboard, or crew overboard, rescue:

1. When a person falls overboard, immediately drop the man overboard rescue kit into the water. This gives the person flotation, a way to signal you, and a way to stay in your sight.

2. Keeping the person in sight, circle immediately. Stay close and keep maneuvers as simple as possible. Circle based on the sail set or helm location.

- Sailboat on starboard tack, circle to the right; on port tack, circle to the left.

- Powerboat helm on starboard, circle right; on port side, circle left.

3. Circle to a position upwind of the person, and use the boat to block the wind and waves. This position also keeps the boat and person together. The boat will drift toward the person and give you more time to complete a rescue.

4. Throw a line to the person, get him or her alongside, and secure a permanent attachment. Use either a line with a loop in it or a wide webbing or foam loop.

5. Get the person aboard, preferably with a hoist. You need a simple, strong, fail-safe system. Try out your hoist to make sure it works.

- Once the person is safe, don't forget to pick up your man overboard rescue kit.





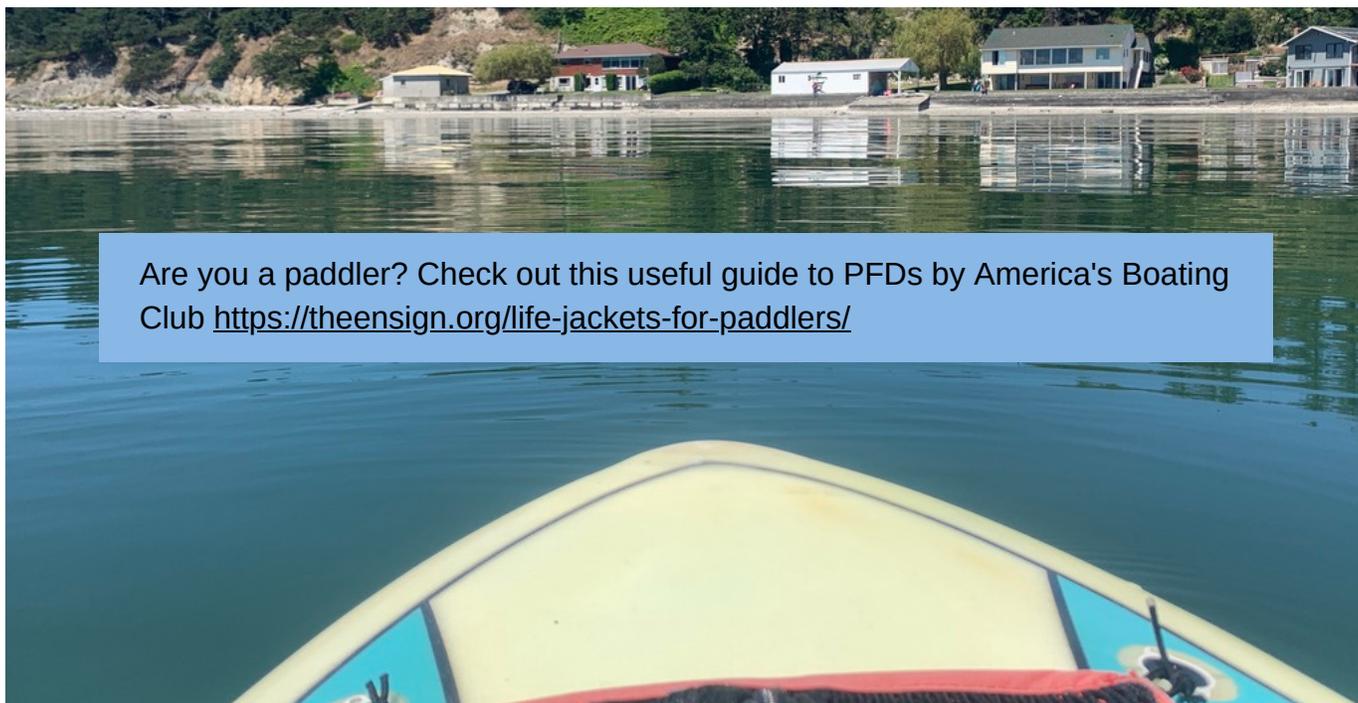
It's time to Explore
Crossing Canada

Join Us

We've been invited by the Oak Harbor Yacht Club to attend on
Wednesday, July 20
Oak Harbor Yacht Club 5 p.m.

Join us for a pasta dinner prepared by squadron member Ted Mihok, followed by a presentation by Anthony Zumpano of U.S. Border and Customs Protection. Get up-to-date on boating and entering Canada post-covid times.

Please RSVP to
Commander Shawn at
shawnhaugen@me.com so
we can get an adequate
count for dinner. Cost: \$10.



Are you a paddler? Check out this useful guide to PFDs by America's Boating Club <https://theensign.org/life-jackets-for-paddlers/>