



THE BITTER END

Skagit Bay Sail and Power Squadron January 2021

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CALENDAR

- 7 Jan—Ex-Com meeting, ZOOM, 6:30 PM
- 11 Jan— Sail Class Starts, Zoom
- 14 Jan— Regular Meeting, ZOOM, 7PM, Activities Planning
- 18 Jan _ Advanced Power Boat Handling Starts, See Flyer



Happy New Year All! We will start off with making plans for real face to face events this year. It looks hopeful for at least late summer so attend our next Zoom meeting to give us your ideas.



Commanders Message Mark Richey, SN-IN

Happy 2021 to all boaters. There is hope for the year and we have plans in store.

Did you all have a good holiday? I know I was a little different but the weather cooperated and hopefully the nog was flowing. Deb and I still plan on getting out in the boat this month if the storms subside. The islands can be pretty and quiet this time of year as its locals only. Some of us can extend our holidays.

Speaking of boating, it still looks like its not too late to winterize. The forecast for the next week or so has it above freezing most of the time so you still have time.

We hope to have some more good programs in the next few months so don't be afraid to use Zoom. We had a fair turnout on the last couple meetings and the programs were interesting. This is especially true when some of the other local squadrons are sharing programs.

Everett will have an interesting program on the people of the region on Feb 3 at 7PM. If you are interested let me know and I will get you the Zoom information.

Take care during bad weather and see you at a meeting this year.



Educational Department Lt/C Robert J. Miller, JN

Welcome to the New Year! I am not going to comment on the over-the-top disaster of last year (whose number will not be mentioned.) Not much to say this month.

Sail Course (SA)

Did you know that we have a Sail class starting on January 11? Yes, with three non-member students, two from past courses. With most squadrons either cancelling in-room classes or transitioning to remote learning using Zoom, the District 16 SEOs are coordinating in sharing teaching resources and co-managing classes. In this case, the Everett squadron is running the Sail class by providing an instructor and Zoom-invitations. Skagit Bay promoted the class through its mailing list and notices in the local newspapers. We listed the course in National's HQ-800 reporting system, enrolled the students, as well as collected the fees (which we keep), and managed the textbook delivery and will administer the final exam. So, both squadrons get credit for offering a class and furthering boating education in our areas.

2021 Calendar Year

(Still unchanged from last newsletter and the one before it.) The Educational Department has been busy through the Covid-19 epic and we need to regroup a bit and rest before coming up with a teaching plan for 2021. I suspect that we will be limited to distance learning for a while, so not all of the courses lend themselves readily to Zoom. More news in February.

Be Safe and mask up,



Squadron Activities By P/C Donna Mason, AP

Activities Planning at January Members Meeting

Like everything else the last several months, our Activities Planning will be different this year. Let's get together at the January Members Zoom Meeting where we'll develop an interesting set of Squadron Activities for 2021. We need and welcome your ideas.

Think about the places you'd like to go, things you'd like to do, and fun you'd like to have, both boating and land-based. Consider becoming a rendezvous host. We'll put together our squadron activities plan for the year. Anything before June will be social-distanced, and we hope vaccines will enable more traditional activities after that, thinking positively.

A few days before the January 14 General Meeting, I will email to you a calendar/worksheet which you can print at home and use during the meeting.

Looking forward to hearing your ideas!



BRION GLOID Outside Poet's Cove Aug 2015

NOSTALGIA PHOTOS



Assorted Boats in Ganges Harbor Aug 2015

Prima Bistro April 6, 2019
Mariner's Game August 25, 2019



**Skagit Bay Sail & Power Squadron
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2020 Virtual**

Attendance:

Bob Miller	Debbie Richey	Mark Richey
Paul Rosetter	Carolyn Caporgno	Glen Caporgno
Donna Mason	Jack Dyer	

*Quorum present

Meeting Called to Order: 1834

Executive Officer – Carolyn Caporgno

Nothing to report

Marketing Report – Donna Mason

Email sent to the students in the Radar Class about the squadron and membership opportunities.

Education Officer - Bob Miller

Radar course is completed. There were 22 students. All students that took the exam passed. We made \$280 from the class. Ed Department meeting will be held in December.

Administrative Officer –

Activities: Donna Mason

All activities for 2020 have been cancelled.

Membership –New members Adam Dietz, Rocky and Tracey Campbell, John Woodward have been approved.

Programs –

Adam Dietz will do a presentation in February.

We will hold a meeting in January and plan activities for 2021.

Secretary – Debbie Richey

Moved and seconded that we accept November ExCom minutes from November.

Treasurer – Jack Dyer

Balance: \$7,049.84 (as of 11/30/2020)

Commander – Mark Richey

Old Business: None

New Business:

Meeting adjourned: 1859





America's Boating Course

Tuesday January 26th,
February 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd
Registration Deadline January 22nd 2021

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Baltimore Sun

**Classes to be held
on-line using the
Zoom platform:**
Tuesdays from
6:30-8:30 pm

Cost:
\$40 for eBook
\$50 for printed
version

Free on the Water
Training Available

This is a 5-week introductory boating class with subject matter that includes basic boat handling, safety considerations, Federal and State equipment and safety requirements and nautical rules of the road. ***Successful completion of the course will qualify individuals for the Washington State Boater Education Card now required for most boaters.***

Payment can be made by credit card or by check made out to FHPS



For more information or to register for the course contact:
Ann Einboden either by phone at 360-378-3288 or email
anneinboden@gmail.com



Advanced Power Boat Handling Seminars

Monday January 18th, February 15th, and March 15th 2021

Enhance Your Boating Skills



To register contact:
Ann Einboden at
anneinboden@gmail.com

or call 360-378-3288
to use a credit card

Checks can be made
out to FHPS and sent
to:

Ann Einboden
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Friday Harbor, WA
98250

This 3-session seminar will be held on-line using Zoom on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 pm

Jan 18th - Close Quarter Maneuvering

Feb 15th- Understanding stability & balance and how your boat performs at sea

March 15th- Handling your boat in open waters, wave handling and severe conditions

Cost:
Members \$20 for all three seminars
Non-Members \$40 for all three

Books \$30 for the pair - Power Boat Handling and Boating with Confidence (highly recommended but not mandatory)



The Pledge

I do solemnly pledge to: Abide by the bylaws of the United States Power Squadrons®; Promote high standards of navigation and seamanship; Maintain my boat and operate it legally; Render assistance whenever possible; and conduct myself in a manner that will add prestige, honor and respect to the United States Power Squadrons.®



~ General Meeting Information ~

Our General Meetings are normally held monthly on the 2nd Thursdays of each month (except July & August), at The Farmhouse Restaurant, corner of SR20 and La Conner-Whitney Road. Greetings and social time starts at 1800 with dinner at 1900. Meeting is normally held just before dinner. When a program is available it usually starts about 1930. The meeting is sometimes moved to another date or venue for special occasions, but that will be advertised in the newsletter or an email notice.

We currently have a vacancy for an Administrative Officer. This is a key position in our Boating group. The person in this position secures speakers for our monthly meetings. Due to the continuation of limited group settings, we would like to have ZOOM presentations each month beginning in January, 2021. If you were out this summer and have an adventure to share with our group or if you know about a possible presenter, please contact me at glencap-orgno@frontier.com with their contact information. If you need help with your presentation, we will help you.

Carolyn Caporgno
Executive Officer

Bridge Officers		
Commander	Mark Richey, SN-IN	425-876-6274
Executive Officer	Carolyn Caporgno, S	209-609-1182
Education Officer	Bob Miller, JN	360-588-9950
Administrative Officer	Vacant	
Secretary	Debbie Richey, AP	
Treasurer	Jack Dyer, P	425-785-7782
Executive Committee		
	Donna Mason, AP	360-595-1083
	Sandy Johnson, P	360-588-8125
	Paul Rosetter, AP	360-595-1083
	George Johnson, SN	360-588-8125
Commander Department		
Chaplain	Ruth Peterson, SN	360-293-1888
Flag Lt.	Steve Drummond, AP	
Port Captain	Vacant	
Law Officer	Vacant	
Merit Marks	Debbie Richey, AP	360-387-1260
	Vacant	
	Vacant	
Executive Department		
Co-Op Charting	Mark Richey, SN-IN	425-876-6274
Liaison	Debbie Richey, AP	360-387-1260
Marketing	Donna Mason, AP	360 595-1083
Public Relations	Various members split	
Radio Technical	George Brooks, SN	
Safety	Don Coleman	360 333-2962
Vessel Exams	Vacant	
Education Department		
Assistant Education Officer	Debbie Richey, AP	360-387-1260
Local Board Public Boating	George Johnson, SN	360-588-8125
Local Board Advanced Grds	George Brooks, SN	360 466-3470
Local Board Elect Courses	John Bellinger, SN	360-757-8091
Administrative Department		
Boating Activities	Donna Mason, AP	360 595-1083
Rendezvous	Donna Mason, AP	
Greeting	Sandy Johnson, P	360-588-8125
Membership	Debbie Richey, AP	
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Programs	Vacant	
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Historian	George Johnson, SN	360-588-8125
Public Contact	Kelly Libby, S	425-359-7078
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Scrapbook	Carolyn Caporgno, S	209-609-1182
Webmaster / IT	Kari Randall-Secret, N	360-387-1194
Auditing Committee		
1 Yr. Chair	Marlene Bellinger, AP	
2 Yrs.	Jeannie Drummond	
3 Yrs.	Deanna Randall-Secret	
Nominating Committee		
1 Yr. Chair	George Johnson, SN	360-588-8125
2 Yrs.	John Bellinger, SN	360-757-8091
3 Yrs.	Debbie Richey, AP	360-387-1260
Rules Committee		
1 Yr. Chair	Donna Mason, AP	360 595-1083
2 Yrs.	Ruth Peterson, SN	
3 Yrs.	John Bellinger, SN	360-757-8091

Please note the vacancies. You don't need an advanced grade. Every little bit helps. Pick something you think you can do and help out. If you don't know what a spot does, ask the chair.
If you don't show a phone number and want it to show, please let us know.