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Commander

Raymond Madsen, AP

I have already chartered our first spring cruise on Blue Heron and anxious to pull in the lines and explore new destinations. This cruise like many others will require us to cross over the Straits. We do our best to cross in the best weather conditions. Timing with currents and tides can really make the crossing smooth sailing. Of course, we monitor Channel 16 on our VHF. We also monitor VTS Channel 05A in the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the San Juan Islands (Channel 14 in Puget Sound south of Bush Point). VTS is the Vessel Traffic Service Puget Sound, sometimes referred to as "Seattle Traffic." VTS operates 12 Radar sites, 13 AIS sites, 13 Closed Circuit Television Cameras and a network of 15 VHF communication sites.

VTS is operated by the Coast Guard and are like Air Traffic Controllers, but provides navigation assistance to the maritime community. The primary mission of VTS is to prevent collisions by instilling order, predictability and safety on the water among all user groups.

Professional mariners consider recreational vessels as the "biggest safety concern" because they don't understand the Navigation Rules. We in our squadron classes and clinics are about safe boating and teach and emphasizes safe boating with strict adherence to the Navigation Rules.

Some things we can do for safer boating is to monitor the VTS Channels and when in Canadian Waters switch to channel 11 for Victoria Traffic. VTS is not just for the big ships on the water, recreational boaters are encouraged to call to obtain navigation safety information particularly in low visibility. I found VTS controllers very courteous and helpful (listen for a couple of minutes before calling, as they can be busy at times). Last year coming back from a cruise we were heading into a fog bank near the traffic lanes. I of course utilized my radar and AIS and I also called "Seattle Traffic" and notified them of my position and destination. They confirmed they had me and told me I was clear to proceed. They also requested I call back prior to entering the traffic

Lane south of Hein Bank. There was an added degree of comfort to know they are there to help.

Another Channel to monitor is Channel 13 which is used between larger vessels. Larger vessels are not required to monitor Channel 16 in a VTS area. If you need to contact a large vessel it will be on 13. Also learn how to use your AIS and DSC to call an AIS vessel.



On another note, April is our squadron Change of Watch. I encourage you to attend the COW and dinner, to show your appreciation for the outgoing Bridge Members and our current Squadron Education Officer who has served in that capacity for the last 3 years, and to show support for your incoming Bridge Members. Bridge members work hard for squadron members to enhance your boating experience. They devote many hours weekly in squadron responsibilities.

And as the outgoing Commander, I would like to share with you my gratitude for this experience. The greatest reward was the pleasure of getting to know you the squadron members personally. I am especially grateful for the relationships built through service. I would like to thank the Bridge Members, Education Instructors, and the many other committee members whom I have worked close with over the last twelve months who I know work so hard often behind the scenes to ensure that North Olympic Sail and Power Squadron is fully functioning and performing as the best squadron. Share with other boaters or interested boaters information about NOSPS and encourage them to join. Let us each support our new Bridge. I encourage each of you to accept when asked or better yet come forth and volunteer to serve in NOSPS.

I bid you all "Fair Winds and Following Seas."



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*Executive
Officer*

Raymond Mahalick, P

I just returned from an interesting meeting held at the John Wayne Marina. You may have heard, there has been an unsolicited offer made to the Port for the possible purchase of John Wayne Marina by a private developer. The meeting was meant to inform stakeholders of the interest to purchase and gather public opinion.

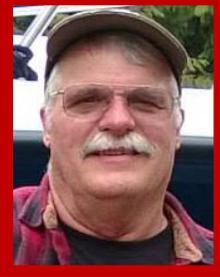
From the standpoint of informing, it was a failure, at least in my opinion. Not much information was added to the initial newspaper article that was published. It was stressed that this was the first meeting to gauge public opinion on how to measure public support or disapproval. I can tell you for sure, about 99% of those attending were adamantly opposed to the sale of the Marina to a private entity. The meeting was well attended with good representation from both NOSPS and the SBYC.

More information and meetings are sure to follow. Please stay engaged on this one! In a way this is "our" Marina and it's future may very well be influenced on our membership's involvement, or not. We will attempt to let our membership know when future meetings on this topic are held so you may attend and form your own opinion.

Find your membership number in this issue of the Straitlines and win a free dinner at the next Membership Meeting!

USPS PLEDGE

I do solemnly pledge to: Abide by the by-laws 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.®



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Administrative
Officer

Bob Stem, AP

It's Been Quite a Year

Looking back on the last year as AO it is amazing how fast it has passed. We had some great speakers and some excellent meals to go with spending time with good friends. The cruising season provided the opportunity to visit some new places for Sandy and me while getting to know some of my fellow boaters better.

One of the most memorable experiences I had while cruising was at John Henry marina. I had been suffering with a toothache from about the second day of our cruise up to Princess Louisa and had run out of Ibuprofen. While sitting in La Verne's Grill the waitress overheard that I had a tooth ache and said that there was a dental clinic about a 20 minute drive from there. I explained that I didn't have a car. She immediately offered to loan me her car and got me the phone number for the clinic. I called and they said they could get me right in and the waitress handed me the keys to her car! They have gained a life-long customer at Laverne's Grill!

Sandy and I cruised up as far as Shearwater in northern Canada, several trips to the San Juans and Gulf Islands the East Sound cruise and of course the Princess Louisa cruise. For me the best part of the cruises is being with good friends. I'm looking forward to this year's cruises. If you haven't signed up for the cruises be sure you do!

Next month is our change of watch at which time I will become the new XO. I look forward to working with the rest of the bridge and all the great people in our North Olympic Sail and Power Squadron! See you at the Change of Watch!

Arrange for your Free 2018 Vessel Safety Check from a North Olympic Sail and Power Squadron Vessel Safety Examiner by calling:

- Duane Webb (360)773-7009
- Torben Blichfeld (360) 477-4575
- Bob Stem (360) 460-3278
- Bob Bond (360) 582-9364
- Doug Schwarz (360) 683-1444
- Tom Foley (360) 681-6848
- Ted Shanks (360) 582-0253



<http://www.northolympicboaters.com/vessel-safety-check.html>

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NOTE: carrying both these devices will meet all U.S. Coast Guard day and night requirements.



Handheld
Electronic Distress
Signal Device
Min. battery life:
6 hrs.
(nighttime only)



Minimum 36" Square
Orange Flag
With black disk and
square printed on both
sides
(daytime only)

**For questions regarding our
NOSPS Web site please contact
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***Education
Officer***

Ray Thomas, JN

2018 NOSPS Boating Courses and Boating Skills Clinics.

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We are on the final backstretch of our second semester classes and seminars for this spring. Man Overboard and First Aid/CPR are our last two clinics. These are two very important classes to take prior to our upcoming boating season. Contact Steve Allen at martas@olympen.com for Man Overboard and Duane Webb at trimedgi@gmail.com for First Aid/CPR information.

This will be my last article as Squadron Education Officer. Duane Webb will be taking over the helm at the Change of Watch meeting on April 9 and I know you will give Duane the support you gave to me these past three years. I want to thank every instructor and our Education Team (Sally Calkins, Randy Roberts and Gordon Bilyard) for outstanding commitment and dedication to make our Education Program one of the best in District 16. Its been a great three years! Have a great summer and a safe boating season. Hope to see you out on the water.

Following are the 2018 Advanced Grades, Electives Courses and Boating Skills Clinics scheduled.

Courses

Class	Start Date	Time	Contact	Venue
Sail	Mar 21, 2018	1:30 PM-3:30 PM	Mike Witkin	SBYC

Boating Skills Clinics

Man Overboard	Apr 7, 2018	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Steve Allen	SBYC
First Ai d & CPR	Apr 21, 2018	9:00 AM– 3:00 PM	Duane Webb	SBYC



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Safety Officer

Duane Webb, SN



Safe Anchoring

I have not had a need to use anchor weights, buoys, or sentinels. We keep fenders out on both sides in case boats drift into us or vice versa

One of our esteemed members of NOSPS, Don Stem, gave an excellent Saturday morning seminar on anchors and anchoring last year, but there a few key points worth repeating, especially from the safety stand-point. Don drew on his many years of cruising to Alaska to advise us, and as one end result we bought one the anchors that he recommended for that area, a Vulcan.

That brings up the first item on the list, **choice of anchor**. Different anchors are designed to hold on different types of bottoms – rock vs mud, deep kelp vs sand. Some will right themselves into correct position better than others. There are great You tubes showing underwater video of just this happening, comparing the various types. The Vulcan was clearly better than our existing CQR for that muddy bottom so typical of some Alaskan seabeds. Go with galvanized steel -the stainless is pretty but costs 5 x more, no functional advantage. Going along with choice is choosing the right size. All of the manufacturers have tables on size and weight for each type vs your boat size and weight. Some recommend going up a size from the table, but you may be limited by the size and configuration of your bow roller, especially is you carry two anchors up front. They have to mix and not tangle!

Rode, chain, and security – on the advice of Don and others, we carry 300 ft of high tensile galvanized 3/8th chain for our 38 ft boat on the right roller and a mix of rode (rope) and chain on the left roller : 30 ft of chain spliced to 400 ft of nylon braided rode. We have it marked in 10 ft and 50 ft intervals. Swivel shackles are controversial, we decided to go with a really hefty brand. Securing the anchor in both up and down positions should always be worked out so as to take the load off the windlass when not in use. Good chafe gear to keep rode from eroding through in a storm is essential, and can save your life. Old bike or small tractor tires do a good job of protecting from chafe.

Deploy, set and scope - picking a good spot may be the most important item of all! Based on anticipating changes in tides during your night, pick a depth shallow enough so you don't have a great swing that could bring you into nearby boats but also not wind you up bouncing on the bottom at low tide. Scope is the ratio of line let out (horizontal) to depth (vertical) but make sure you measure the vertical starting point from the top of your anchor roller, not the waterline. A scope of 7:1 or 5:1 is a good rule of thumb. Watch and count your rode makers as they pay out- a headlamp is great for his a dusk. Communicate with your helmsman with hand signals or "Marriage Saver" headsets. When dropping anchor, I remember what my Coast Guard Captain's License instructor drilled into us "NO WAY ON!" – that is no forward or back motion of the boat. That anchor CAN put a hole in your boat! You can tell with just the tip on the anchor in the water – there should be no ripples. **Watch your hands and fingers as chain and rode pay out! Use of bar or boathook for tangles. Don't fall in, always where your PFD and clip on.**

As you secure the anchor at the intended scope, the helmsman will "back down" under power until resistance is felt, and landmarks show you are not going any farther back. A little "goose" in reverse will complete the final set. Watch and note the landmarks for a few minutes, take some visual bearings on other boats.

Anchor watch alarms – most fairly new chart plotter and now AIS systems can be used to set an anchor drag alarms. There is some significant current draw, especially with chart plotters. These can help you get a better nights sleep, but it is still a good idea to check visually every few hours, along with tide and forecast winds and weather. Last step: anchor light one (check visually); set your anchor watch alarm

Pulling anchor is fairly simple, just remember to power up with your boat to the point where the anchor chain is vertical. Bring in chain as you go but not under load. Use your engine to get you there, not the windless, and don't let rode/chain go underneath your boat.

Anchoring out and a good nights sleep just don't always go hand in hand! But the peace and serenity of a beautiful anchorage, such as Garrison Bay, will make it worth it if you follow a few simple safety rules!

Can't wait to go cruising with all of you!



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Membership Chair

Sandy Thomas, AP

**New Members Corner
Welcome Aboard !**

Membership TEAM
Yes, we now have a TEAM

Sally Calkins at cdrsally@gmail.com and
Karen Mahalick at kmahalick@hotmail.com

Come for the Boating Education. Stay for the friends

NEW MEMBER!

I am pleased to welcome our newest member, **Diane Lacy**. *Torben Blichfeld invited her to our February meeting and she joined right then and there. Thank you, Torben! We look forward to seeing her at upcoming meetings and events.*

OTHER MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

I am continuing this month to share information from the New Member Booklet, as I have done the past several months. Since we have now elected our new Officers for the coming year, I am including information about those positions.

The North Olympic Sail and Power Squadron is managed by a Bridge of officers elected by and responsible to the membership.

The following Bridge Officers are elected annually (each March) by the membership. *(I have included only the main Officers and have condensed the descriptions given in the booklet.)*

Commander (Cdr) –The Commander is the principal officer of the Squadron and assumes the responsibility for leadership and management of the Squadron

Executive Officer (XO) – the XO is responsible for the functions described as “external affairs” Which includes public relations, marketing, and safety.

Educational Officer (SEO) – The SEO manages all of the educational activities of the Squadron.....which includes the entire membership education curriculum.

Administrative Officer (AO) – The AO is in charge of “internal functions” of the Squadron including membership, boating activities, entertainment, meetings and programs.

Secretary (Sec) – The Sec is responsible for the official Squadron minutes for all meetings called by the Commander and Bridge and assures that records are retained and available.

Treasurer (Tres) – The Tres is responsible for collecting, holding and disbursing squadron funds, keeping appropriate records, making required reports, preparing tax forms, etc.

Here in the Squadron, we also elect our Members at Large, which are elected as liaisons between the Bridge and the membership, and who assists the Commander in many ways.

If you have questions concerning membership, check our website or drop an email to any one of us on the membership team:

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Meet the **New Members!** Please be sure and welcome our new members



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Membership Chair and
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North Olympic Women on the Water Planning Meeting

On 3/19/18 Galley Time Demonstration-- Simple Recipes and Tips for Onboard Appetizers and Dinners: Catherine Bilyard hosted this NOWW activity at her home and taught us how she prepares, seals and freezes meals to take onboard, putting the extra, measured out ingredients in small containers into a sealed plastic bag. The secret, according to Catherine is to cook extra whenever you're making a meal at home. The organizer for the event, Nila Madsen shared two appetizers—Capers Skewers and Brie with a Caramel/Nut sauce, both easy to make. The best part of the event was that we got to eat everything for lunch—Chicken Veronique, Maple Syrup Glazed Carrots, **Seeds of Change** Quinoa and Brown Rice w/garlic (bought already cooked in a bag), and German Chocolate Cake with last minute additions, for dessert. Sixteen women signed up for the event but due to illness, surgery and doctor's appointments, only 6 were able to come. More tips will be posted to the NOSPS website.

Two additional Hands-On Training Sessions are coming up in April and May—"Using the Hook and Moor Tool for Attaching Your Boat to a Buoy", and "Anchoring": Hold April 16th, 1-3 pm at the Marina for the first one. More details will be shared at our April 9th NOSPS Dinner Meeting and in a subsequent email. Both sessions will be conducted on the water in members' boats and women will have a chance to practice.

\$1,000 NOWW Marine Science Scholarship for Women: The Peninsula College Foundation Office has posted and advertised the NOWW Marine Science Women's Scholarship. Using our selection criteria and their teams of trained scholarship review committees, they will select a recipient. The Scholarship awardee will be announced in September 2018 and we will invite her to attend one of our fall NOSPS Meetings.

Fund Raising for the Marine Science Scholarship for Women: We still need help coming up with ideas on how to raise funds to continue the NOWW Marine Science Women's Scholarship beyond 2019. Please share your ideas with Linda Bond (drlindabond@gmail.com) or Sandy Thomas (sandythomas@olympen.com).

New Leadership for NOWW Needed: After 4 years as the Chair or Co-chair of NOWW, Linda Bond will be stepping down. Please consider serving in this vital role.



Sandy Stem

Cruise
Director



Cruzin' Corner

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There are some great cruises planned for the 2018 cruising season! Cruise sign up books will be available at the April dinner meeting. Please sign up so I know how many boats will be participating. I look forward to cruising with you!

Also, I need volunteers for cruise captain(s) for each cruise. There will be a meeting before each cruise to discuss details of the cruise.

There has been some interest in stopping at Tillicum Village on Blake Island during the South Sound Cruise. Tillicum Village is located on Blake Island, a Washington State Park, accessible only by boat. Tillicum would be a lot of fun. Look at this website to learn more about it. http://www.gonorthwest.com/Washington/puget/Blake_Island/tillicumvillage.htm I would like to know how many people would like to do this. Stopping at Tillicum would probably add another day to the cruise.

2018 NOSPS Cruise Schedule:

Shakedown Cruise, San Juan's

May 2 to 5 Friday Harbor, Stuart Island, Rosario Resort

Memorial Day Cruise - in conjunction with PA Yacht club

May 19 to June 4 A) Destination Port—Telegraph Harbour, Thetis Island, BC, May
25th

B) Cruise will include various destinations (to be decided) in
Canada both before and
After Telegraphy Harbour

USPS District 16 Rendezvous

June 8th to 10th Poulsbo

Hood Canal Cruise

July 14th to July 18th Port Ludlow and Pleasant Harbor

South Sound Cruise Edmonds, Point Defiance, Olympia, Des Moines, Kingston

August 20th to 26th, 27th

Desolation Sound

Sidney, Silva Bay, Pender Harbor, Powell River, Desolation
September 12 to 25, 26 Sound, Provincial Marine Park, Gorge Harbor, Comox,
Schooner Cove, Chemainus, Stuart Island or Roche Harbor



NEPTUNE'S CORNER by John Hauck



I grew up in Pennsylvania and joined the Army back in the early eighties. I enlisted as a combat medic, then later (1996) I attended the Inter-service Physician Assistant Course (first interservice class) and was commissioned in May of 1998 with a degree from the University of Nebraska (Go Huskers!) I had been stationed in Fort Bragg, North Carolina for most of my early career, but in 2003 I was assigned to Fort Lewis (near Tacoma) and was struck by the beauty of the Pacific Northwest, especially the Olympic Peninsula. I still find myself struck by the views that many of the people who grew up here probably just take for granted.

While I have no sailing experience whatsoever, I have long been a fan of naval literature, Dudley Pope's Ramage series, CS Forrester's Hornblower series and Bernard Cornwell's Jack Aubrey series are three notable examples. I have enjoyed all these books as well as others and have been interested in sailing because of them. Of course I always knew that that sort of life was out of my reach, I mean, who can afford to buy a boat?

After I got out of the Army in 2016 I took advantage of the free time and decided to take a road trip and check out some of the National Parks that I had never taken the time to visit before. During this trip I stopped at several marinas, just to look at the boats, and was surprised to find out what some of them could be had for. I guess that's what happens when your only idea of boat prices comes from looking at high end yacht magazines! Anyway, I had already sort of decided on Sequim to settle down in, but somewhere around Astoria the idea of buying a boat to live aboard was born.

I started looking for a boat even before I moved up onto the Peninsula, when I did move up here I rented a cabin in Chimacum for the winter thinking that by the time my lease ended in April I would already be living on my boat. While I was looking for my boat I decided to see if I could take some classes to close some of the gaps in my knowledge of boating. As I have gotten into it, I have come to realize that I didn't really have any gaps in my knowledge of boating. When I joined the Power Squadron, I would have needed to have SOME knowledge of boating in order to have any gaps in it! I have taken nine or ten courses so far, along with a number of Saturday Clinics and am just getting started. I am looking forward to piloting and navigation and hope that the squadron will be able to present some on the water training soon.

My boat search took almost a year. I drove as far south as Portland, as far north as Parksville and as far east as Kennewick. Initially I was looking at trawlers, but didn't see anything that I both liked and could afford. Then, while I was taking the sail course (great course, great instructors!) someone mentioned that maybe I should look at motorsailers instead of trawlers and off I went. A few months later I found a Nauticat 33, named Miss Bianca, in Olympia. I will take a moment and point out that a Nauticat is a monohulled, Finnish built motorsailer, because of the name many people assume that she is a catamaran, but this isn't the case.

So after driving down for a look and reviewing the survey I put an offer on her and then wrote an uncomfortably large check. I stopped in Port Townsend for new bottom paint on the way up to Port Angeles and had her new name, Gail Elizabeth, stenciled onto her stern. I thank Bruce Cutting for sailing her up from Olympia with me. I have been happily living on board since July of 2017.

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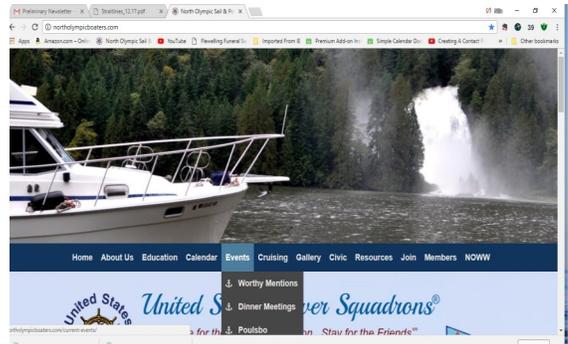
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Sandy Thomas, AP

Media Minims

By Nila Madsen, Web Master



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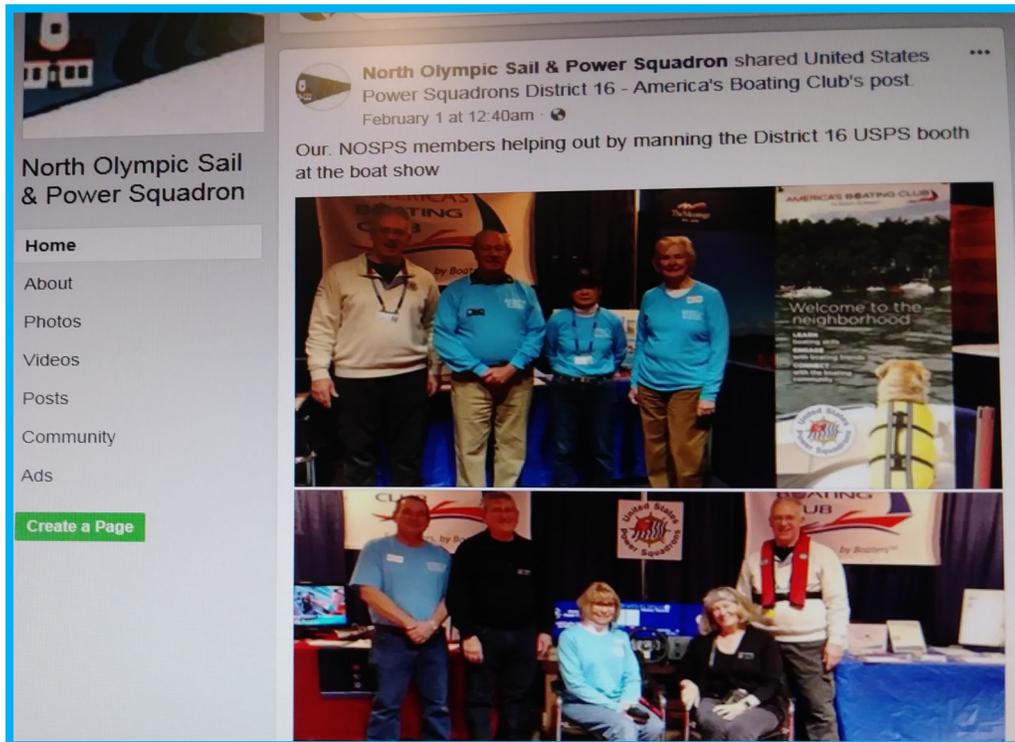
You have been directed to the “Gallery” page of our website before but you are encouraged to check it out again! Photos from the **February Dinner Meeting “TALENT SHOWCASE”** have been added. So if you didn’t make it to the show or participated or may have missed a display on that evening – go to our website, click on the **GALLERY** button on the menu bar to see the 2018 Gallery of Photos. Enjoy!

While in the Gallery note the photos in the **EDUCATION** and the **SAFETY DEMONSTRATION SECTIONS**.

FACEBOOK FEATURES North Olympic Sail & Power Squadron

Check out the latest news feeds from District 16 and National on our Facebook Page or for more detailed info check out their Facebook pages as well. District 16 shared a thanks to the Jones, Madsen's and Mahalicks for volunteering a shift at the recent boat show in Seattle in a post on their District FB page and shared on our NOSPS page.

If you read of a boating situation, see a video, etc. that would be of benefit to our members please notify our Commander Ray Madsen, media Nila Madsen, or Education Officer Ray Thomas to add it to our Facebook to share with our members





UNITED STATE POWER SQUADRON NEW WEBSITE:

Old: usps.org

NEW: beyondboating.org

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

If on some foggy day you should have to enter Port Angeles and you don't hear the Ediz Hook foghorn then this is what you do – go to channel 83A on your VHF – Click 5 times on the handle – this should start the Foghorn.

There is a Border Patrol trial plan called **Local Boater Option, (LBO)** where a float plan is filed for a trip into Canada and a password is issued for the boater to use when checking in with customs. There is no cost to the boater. Further information can be obtained by computer at the following:

www.SVRS.cbp.dhs.gov

If you have a Kidde brand fire extinguisher, please review the information regarding fire extinguisher recalls. The fire extinguisher can become clogged or require excessive force to discharge and can fail to activate during a fire emergency. In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard.

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2017/kidde>

Fire Chief Ben Andrews, Clallam County Fire District No. 3 AGENCY

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With Coupon or Discount

Without Coupon or member discount

Ad Size	Website		
	Per Qtr	Link	Per Year
Business Card	Free	\$20	\$20
¼ Page	\$25	\$45	\$75
½ Page	\$50	\$75	\$150
¾ Page	\$75	\$95	\$200
Full Page	\$100	\$100	\$250

Ad Size	Per Qtr	Per Year
Business Card	\$25	\$75
¼ Page	\$50	\$150
½ Page	\$75	\$200
¾ Page	\$100	\$250
Full Page	\$150	\$450

- Layout changes once per quarter for those with annual commitment.
- Camera Ready Ad copy must be received by 20th of the month prior to publication
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FALL CONFERENCE 2018

We need your help! Fall Conference will be here before we know it. There are lots of jobs open on the Conference committee. We need to choose a **Theme** for the conference and decorations for the tables. We need a chairman and committee for raffle baskets and items for the silent auction, registration, Raffle ticket sales and more. If you can help, please contact me at rkohl@olympus.net or spin.knit.read@gmail.com

Agate Pass Sail & Power Squadron

invites you to



And Change of Watch

Thursday 26 April 2018
 Poulsbo Yacht Club*
 1800 social hour, 1900 dinner
 Installation of Officers to follow

Meal will be Picnic Style

Hamburgers with all the fixin's
 Jacqui's Excellent Potato Salad
 Tedd's Famous Baked Beans
 Carrot Cake w/cream cheese frosting (Yum)

*Poulsbo Yacht Club, 18129 Fjord Dr. NE, Poulsbo, WA

All reservations must be accompanied by a check made payable to APSPS

Please mail your RSVP to:

Agate Pass Sail and Power Squadron
 PO Box 842
 Poulsbo, WA 98370

1. Name, Rank and Grade

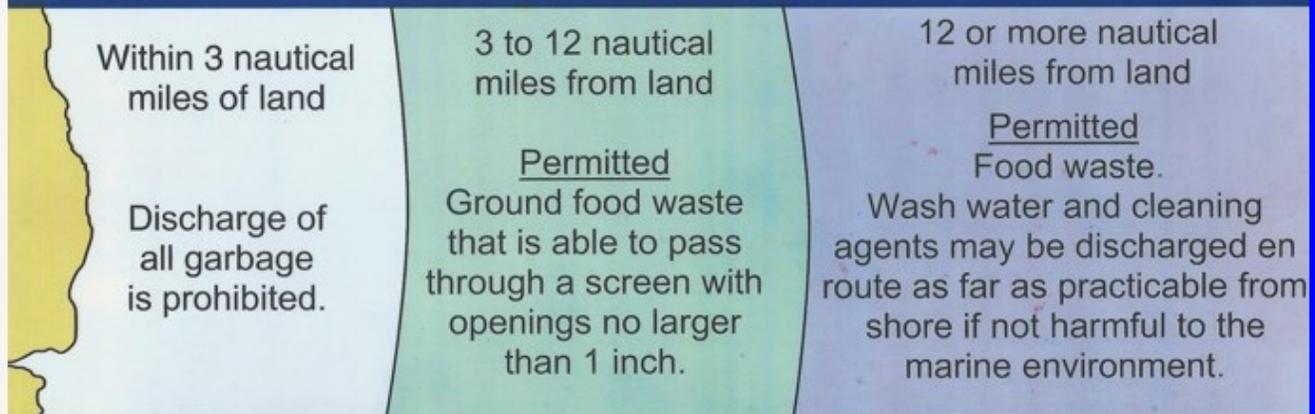
2. Name, Rank and Grade

Address _____
 City _____
 State, Zip _____
 Phone _____

On or before 12 April \$18.00 each (\$20 each after 12 April)

Number	_____	Amount	_____
		Total	_____

The discharge of all garbage, most importantly all forms of plastic, is prohibited into the navigable waters of the United States and into all other waters except as specifically allowed below. A person who violates these requirements is liable for civil and/or criminal penalties.



MARPOL Annex V Special Area – Wider Caribbean Region (Gulf of Mexico & Caribbean Sea)

← Discharge of all garbage prohibited out to 12 nm → ← Food waste must be ground →



Regional, state, and local restrictions on garbage discharges also may apply.



NOSPS CHANGE OF WATCH DINNER MEETING

Monday, APRIL 9th, 2018

Social Hour starts at 5:00 pm with the meeting starting at 6:00 pm

Where: Sunland Golf & Country Club

**Menu: NY Strip Roast, Grilled Shrimp skewers, Bourbon Braised Mushrooms & Onions,
4 Cheese Scalloped Potatoes, Caesar Salad and dessert. Coffee, Tea, and water**

Price is \$25 per person.

Executive Board Meeting

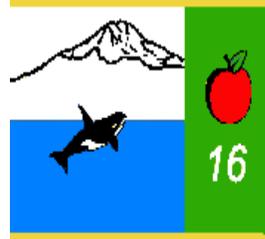
When: Friday April 6, 2018 at 8:30 am -10:30am

Where: Sunland Golf & Country Club, 109 Hilltop Dr. Sequim, WA 98382

NOSPS Bridge Meeting open to all members



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