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The Pike Pole

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*Langley, Washington on
Whidbey Island*

March Highlights

**Tuesday 3 - Monthly Gathering, at Firefighters Hall, Everett 6:30 PM
Voting in Bridge Officers and Member Appreciation**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS for

2026

- March**
- 3 **Join us** for our Annual Meeting! Member Appreciation Celebration and Slate of officers presented, **dinner provided**, Everett Firefighters Hall, food bank donations encouraged, 6:30 pm
 - 6-7 District 16 Change of Watch and Spring Conference, Port of Everett's Blue Heron Room, please see flyer in this month's *Pike Pole* for more information, RSVP required
 - 10 Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm
 - 14 Vessel Safety Checks begin at the Port of Everett Marina, RSVP Danny Daniels
 - 28 Booth at North Sound Marine Expo, Harbor Marine, 10 am to 3 pm



Happy Saint Patrick's Day

- April**
- 7 Change of Watch Celebration, (**dinner will be provided** - RSVP required), Firefighters Hall, Everett, 6:30 pm
RSVP Darcy Baker
 - 11 Vessel Safety Checks, Shelter Bay Marina, RSVP Danny Daniels
 - 11 April Pool's Day, at Mount Lake Terrace Rec Center, RSVP Linda Martin
 - 11-12 America's Boating Intro to Boating Course, Port of Everett's Blue Heron Room, Time 9:00 am start time, RSVP Linda Martin
 - 14 Executive Committee meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm
 - 18 Adopt a Street, 9:00 to 10:30 am, meet at Henry M. Jackson Park, RSVP Danny or Claire

- May**
- 2 Opening Day of Boating Season!
 - 5 Monthly Gathering and Potluck, Speaker tba, Everett Firefighters Hall, food bank and bike fund donations encouraged, 6:30 pm
 - 9 Vessel Safety Checks, Port of Everett, RSVP Danny Daniels
 - 12 Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm
 - 16-17 Boat Handling Class, RSVP John Tarpley
 - 16-22 National **Safe** Boating Week

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REGISTRATION FORM
District 16 SPRING CONFERENCE & CHANGE OF WATCH
March 6—7, 2026, Port of Everett Marina
 1205 Craftsman Way, Suite 200, Everett, WA 98201

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ Spouse/Guest Name: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____ Squadron: _____ District: _____

Zoom Meeting address: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82132334469?pwd=7J2JC19ahGRvXlpGxERVFNpAcIftGk.1>

Meeting ID: 821 3233 4469

Passcode: 050570

**Note:* Please register so we know how many will attend. There is no charge to attend the Meeting

FRIDAY, March 6

Meet and Greet at 6 pm in Hotel Indigo’s Jetty Bar and Grill, followed by dinner at 6:30 (not hosted)
 ___ Yes, I/we are interested in dinner! ___ # attending (all reservations will be made in advance)

SATURDAY, March 7

Attire: USPS Casual

Doors open at 8:30 am – refreshments will be available
Conference begins at 9 am
Lunch from noon to 1 pm
Conference resumes at 1 pm, ending by 3:00 pm

Preorder your box lunch below. Lunches and salads include chips or roll, cookie, and beverage. Cost is \$25 per lunch. All lunch orders **must** be postmarked by **Saturday, February 28.**

Turkey and Avocado Sandwich _____	Caesar Chicken Wrap _____
Roast Beef and Cheddar Sandwich _____	Classic Cobb Salad _____
Albacore Tuna and Dill Pickle Sandwich _____	Pear and Bleu Cheese Salad _____
Total (USD) \$ _____	

For FREE Conference Parking, please provide car information below:

Make and model: _____ License number _____

Hotels of various prices are located near the Everett Marina
 If you’re interested in RVing, try Lakeside RV Park, 12321 Highway 99.
 Call (425) 321-8531 to make your reservation.

Conference Reservations, Payment and Questions

RSVP by email to Darcy even if you’re not ordering lunch
 Make box lunch checks payable to: **D/16 USPS**
 Mail form and payment to: **Darcy Baker**

c/o Gary Baker
1802 Grove Street, Marysville, WA 98270

Additional questions? Please contact Darcy Baker, thebakerfamily4@comcast.net

“Adapt, Enjoy, Thrive!”



78th Annual Change of Watch
Tuesday, April 7th, 2026

Please join us as we swear in officers for the 2025/26 Bridge year, and gather in person to celebrate and look forward to a year of boating, educational, and social activities:

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Social time
7:00 pm - Dinner
7:30 pm - Ceremony

Catered Hawaiian Dinner by Chef Bobby*

*Members meal is hosted (free to attend) by America's Boating Club of Snohomish County. Guests are \$15.00 pp, payable in advance

RSVP to Darcy Baker by Monday, March 30th thebakerfamily4@comcast.net

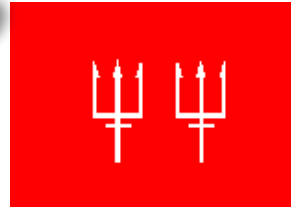
Please note: advance reservations are required for all



Firefighters Hall
2411 Hewitt Avenue
Everett, Washington 98201

FROM THE HELM

Commander Annette Ferguson, AP



TRANSITIONS

Greetings to all as you read your award winning newsletter, *The Pike Pole*. As this edition comes to you, we are in the process of moving from the dormant winter to spring as it begins to whisper it's coming by the display of cherry blossoms on the trees, slightly longer days, and bulbs bursting through the cold soil looking for warmth from the sun. This is a time of transition for Mother Nature.

Our membership is preparing for a transition in our March gathering as we elect new bridge officers and an executive committee. Your newly elected leadership team consists of members who served in the previous year. That brings positives as those officers know their job. It also is a negative as it indicates that our membership is not stepping into leadership. Over my years in our squadron, I have puzzled about this. There is no job that anyone in our squadron cannot do. True, there are leadership roles that are a better fit than other roles. We have been a successful squadron since 1948. Never the biggest and never the smallest. Our success has been due to our members being willing to serve...to step up.

My challenge to you.. transition with your new bridge. Move from observer to doer. Get involved in one or two of our many activities. Serve on an ad Hoc committee that plans our boating and land activities. Give suggestions on programs that interest you. Become an instructor, a Vessel Safety Examiner, help with Adopt-a-Street. Your contribution will add to your enjoyment and strengthen our squadron to thrive and grow.

See *you* at our March gathering. Come join the fun!

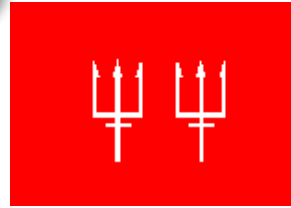


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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Lt/C Nick Rich, AP



Greetings fellow boaters! With the 2026 Seattle Boat Show and a Seahawks Superbowl victory parade in our wake, we look forward with enthusiasm toward getting out on the water soon.

I invite you to catch up on upcoming events and educational opportunities to enhance your safety and enjoyment out on the water, by checking out the educational and events calendar in this *Pike Pole* issue, and I also invite you to visit the America's Boating Club/Everett Sail & Power Squadron Facebook page.

The North Sound Marine Expo – Harbor Marine, Everett:

Join us near the end of this month, for the fourth annual North Sound Marine Expo at Harbor Marine in Everett, on Saturday, March 28, 2026, from 10 AM to 3 PM. The America's Boating Club of Snohomish County will be exhibiting while you also browse and discover the latest and greatest in marine technology and innovation.

This winter in the Pacific Northwest has been a bit milder than most, colder winter and early spring conditions continue to remind us why safety is never seasonal. Cold water temperatures, limited daylight, and unpredictable weather all raise the stakes for anyone venturing out. Even experienced boaters can find themselves at risk if they're not prepared. This is exactly why the mission of America's Boating Club—and the work of our Squadron, matters so much.

With spring just around the corner, the Everett Sail and Power Squadron is gearing up for **Vessel Safety Checks (VSCs)**. These free, voluntary checks are one of the most visible and impactful services we provide to the boating community. They're not about enforcement; they are about education, prevention, and helping boaters enjoy the water safely and confidently. In the coming months, you'll see opportunities to support VSCs, whether by conducting checks, assisting at events, or simply helping spread the word. We are kicking off the 2026 season conducting a weekend VSC on Saturday, April 11 at the Shelter Bay Marina in La Conner. Please RSVP Danny Daniels.

Adopt-a-Street: Our Spring clean-up for the Marine View Drive in Everett will be on Saturday, April 18th with the group meeting at Henry M. Jackson Park at 9:00 AM. This is a fun and a rewarding way to chat with your fellow members while exercising, and to give back to our community. If you are interested in participating in some fun and exercise and good company, don't forget to dress for the April uncertainty of conditions, and please contact/RSVP Danny or Claire.

I want to thank each of you for your continued commitment to Everett Sail and Power Squadron. Whether you're active on the water year-round or counting down the days until spring launch, you are part of a community that values seamanship, safety, and fellowship. I look forward to seeing many of you at upcoming events and activities as we move toward a new boating season.

Until then, stay safe, keep warm, and may boating safety be at the top of mind.

- Nick

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Lt/C Susan Tarpley, AP



Ahoy Mates!

There is a lot going on in the next few months, so check out our Club's calendar and make sure to save the dates on your own personal calendars to be a part of it all!



At our March meeting, we will celebrate being members of America's Boating Club of Snohomish County, Everett Sail and Power Squadron! We want to acknowledge the importance of all our members and how very much everyone is appreciated. So, if it is not already on your calendar, make sure to note this upcoming event. Join us for:

Member Appreciation Night!

Dinner provided by the club/squadron

March 3rd 6:30pm
Everett Firefighters Hall,
2411 Hewitt Ave, Everett

Come enjoy lasagna, salad and dessert... courtesy of our club!

We do have to take care of a couple of important club business items, i.e., election of next year's officers and the budget. We promise it will be quick and painless! We just want to gather our valued members and enjoy our time together.

See you there!
Susan



Adopt-A-Street Clean up planned April 18, 2026

The next Adopt-A-Street **clean up** is planned as follows:
Meet at Henry M. Jackson Park for clean up at 9:00 am.
The activity is EASY and FUN. It usually takes about 1-1/2 hours to complete.

Please contact [Lt Danny Daniels](#) or [Lt Claire Greer](#) to sign up. It is important to sign up at least 1 week prior to ensure we have enough materials.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Lt/C Brian Rachal, AP



Fellow Boaters and Squadron Members,

As I look back on the last four years of boater education, I'm realizing that we have held fewer classes than we did prior to covid. While we've had a few classes scheduled and cancelled, we've also had a number of instances of the ABC class where we've had the opportunity to meet some really great people. When I think about the folks we talk to when they take the ABC class, including folks that already had their Boater Education Card, it's unanimously positive feedback about the instruction. On more than one occasion, someone has said thank you for the opportunity to learn things they didn't already learn in preparation for the exam.

We had one person that came back and took the class again alongside his wife and said it was a great refresher to bone up on things that had not fully stuck. Another class member told stories of her husband, who was an experienced, legal boater, and suggested that he should come take the class. She was recalling some unsafe moments that could have been avoided had he gotten and heeded proper training. These types of experiences with learners have made it an honor to serve and teach over the past few years.

While I know that I'm preaching to the choir, it's worth pointing out that America's Boating Club has a long history of producing and providing excellent boater education. As boaters, we probably all know someone that may not have taken much in the way of boater education. We all know fishermen, many of whom get their boat and do the minimum to operate legally, while failing to realize that when they put their boat in the water they are a boater first. Anytime you go out on the water, there's usually a lot of fishing boats out there. The vast majority of them are excellent and safe boaters. It's the handful of folks that think they know more than they do that put themselves and everyone else around them at risk. If you know anyone that's a boater, or interested in boating, please introduce them to the education that America's Boating Club offers. If they feel additional education is not needed because their experience is sufficient, please encourage them to come help teach. I've learned at least as much from teaching as I have from the classes that I've taken.

We have the ABC class scheduled for April 11-12, and we scheduled a Boat Handling Class to follow in May 16 and 17. As I've said many times before, the Boat Handling course is a wonderful class for anyone that has their Boater Education Card. I was already a fairly experienced boater, having also completed Marine and Advanced Marine Navigation and passing with flying colors. I found the Boat Handling course to be challenging and informative. We need both students and instructors to support those and other course offerings, so please reach out.

Yours in Boating
Brian

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2026 BOATING EDUCATION SCHEDULE

AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE -- ABC
Spring Schedule April 11-12

Location: Port of Everett's Blue Heron Room
Time: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

The course cost is \$60 per person. Register on the website under BOATING EDUCATION/AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE.
RSVP Linda Martin 425-422-4721
Note: Registration generally Closes 2 week prior, but the class may still have space

GO TO www.BOATCLUBSNOCO.ORG
FOR MORE DETAILS and link to register and pay

Boat Handling - May 16 and 17

Free Seminars

Everett Sail and Power Squadron – America's Boating Club of Snohomish County will be hosting free Seminar's in lieu of a regular monthly meeting. Bring a guest.

Partner in Command

March 3, 2026
June 2, 2026

Everett Fireman's Hall

Join us in person for lively training and discussion, and enjoy BBQ with your boating friends.

Learn the essential skills you will need to help the skipper safely operate a recreational boat and become an asset on board.

The Partner in Command seminar includes an introduction to boating, understanding anchoring, docking, and navigation, preparing for bad weather, first aid and on-board emergencies, plus more.

This seminar is great for someone new to boating, or a good reminder for folks that are experienced boaters. For those that can't make it to Everett in person, a Zoom Link to be published closer to scheduled date

GO TO www.BOATCLUBSNOCO.ORG
FOR MORE DETAILS

MASTER LIST OF USPS COURSES

If any of these courses interest you, give us a call. We will schedule one in Everett or we will help search District 16 for a squadron teaching the course you want to take.

Brian Rachal 425-280-3557
Joellyn Jackson 425-347-0763

ADVANCED GRADES

Boat Handling: How the heck do I get this boat to do what I want?

Marine Navigation (aka Piloting): How to get from here to there without running into something.

Advanced Marine Navigation (aka Advanced Piloting): Navigation under more difficult circumstances while using electronic tools, especially GPS all the while taking wind and currents into account.

Off-shore Navigation (aka Junior Navigation or JN): When off-shore there are no longer landmarks for reference; we must substitute celestial objects such as the sun.

Celestial Navigation (aka Navigation or N): The final navigation course focuses on sextant use---for when all your electronics fail!

ELECTIVES

Cruising and Cruise Planning: You're going on a two-week cruise in Canada – what do I take? Customs? Forbidden fruits & veggies? What if I get hurt? We answer all these questions and more!

Engine Maintenance: Diesel, gasoline, spark plugs, pistons, fuel mixtures, . . . and how they all work together to get you where you're going.

Instructor Development (ID): Want to teach a course? We'll show you how! Open only to members.

Marine Electrical Systems (MES): There is one system on the boat and one that you plug into at the dock, which is which?

Marine Communications Systems (MCS): It can be a matter of life or death to be able to communicate with the first responders. We teach you how to make a SOS call and more.

Electronic Navigation Systems (ENS):

Radar for Boaters: The systems used to navigate by on the boat are changing as we speak. Learn now before they crihange.

Sail: What are all those lines and gadgets for? Are you sure the wind will blow me where I want to go?

Weather: Look to the clouds, wind and temperature for safe boating weather.

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Slate of Bridge Officers, 2026 – 2027

Bridge

Commander, Lt Claire Greer
Executive Officer, Lt/C Nick Rich
Administrative Officer, Lt/C Susan Tarpley
Squadron Education Officer, Lt/C Linda Martin
Secretary, Lt/C Brian Rachal
Treasurer, P/C Frank Havens

Executive Committee Members:

P/C Annette Ferguson, USPS National Rear Commander,
Immediate Past Commander
P/C Gary Baker, D-16 Commander
P/C Darcy Baker, Public Relations
D/Lt/C Jim West, D-16 DEO
Lt Linda Skugstad, Newsletter and Website
Lt Danny Daniels, VSC's and Adopt a Street
1st/Lt/C Cathy Rich, Assistant Education Officer and
Social Media Contact
Lt Perry Moore
Lt Don Doody

Committees

Nominations

Darcy Baker
Perry Moore
Annette Ferguson

Rules

Gary Baker
Nick Rich

Financial Review

Susan Green
John Tarpley



**HIGHWAY MARINERS 2026
RENDEZVOUS**

by P/C Mike Martin, P

We have planned most of our trips for 2026, and the holiday weekends are already on the calendar. Even our long trip in the planning stage. **Reserve the nights dated.**

The places are.....

May 7-10 -- River Bend RV Resort in Twisp
May 21-25 -- Dosewallips on Hood Canal
June 5-7 -- D-16 Rendezvous @ Port Ludlow RV Park,
RSVP Dave McBride, Bremerton Squadron
July 2-5 -- Wenatchee River County RV Park

Two Week Trip – July 28 -August 4—Gilgal RV Park then
August 5 – 8 – Ocean City RV Park then August 9 – 14? –
Long Beach
September 1-8 – Steamboat Rock State Park

If you are interested in joining us, please reach out to Mike Martin NOW and he can fill you in on the details and contact numbers.

Everyone wanting to camp with the Highway Mariners needs to make their own reservations. Mike can help you with the websites and phone numbers. After you have made a reservation, contact Mike Martin 425-330-6990 or frugalboatnut@frontier.com with your space number.

**IT'S BEEN A REALLY BIG YEAR!!
BUT WE ARE NOT DONE, YET!!!**

by P/C Linda Martin, JN

For ten years Boating Safety 4 Kids have gone to the Seattle Boat Show to teach a 50-minute seminar on life jackets and cold water. We would reach 8-20 kids and as many parents. I have always gone dressed as PFD Seagull.

Last year Alashia with the North West Marine Trade Association (NWMTA) suggested that we consider volunteering at the Paddle Boat Area, putting life jackets on the children and helping them into Paddle Boats. We had to get approval from the NWMTA and the District 16 Bridge since we would be recruiting members from the district. We got approval from both and the NWMTA threw in a table to boot for FREE.

This was a huge project to set up but it was so rewarding. We recruited volunteers from D-16 and one former member and her friend. We bought a special tablecloth, raffle prizes, printing raffle tickets and flyers. We chose the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Seattle Boat Show.

The Boat Show has come and gone. How did we do? Eighteen volunteers came on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for 6-8-hour shifts. One job was to put life jackets on the kids with a mini BS4K lesson on Size, Fit and Color. They also had to hold the boat at the dock so that the children could get in and out of the boats safely. The other job was to stay at the table and take the raffle tickets and promote USPS courses and Vessel Safety Checks.

Each child got a Wear It Sticker when they got out of the boat. They were asked if they would like to put their name in a drawing for a toy seagull. Of course, I went as PFD Seagull to carry out the theme.

We used the FREE table to promote USPS courses and Vessel Safety Checks.

416 children came for a Paddle Boat ride. 120 paddle boaters put tickets in for the raffle prize of a toy seagull and 46 of them are recreational boaters and indicated that they want to take a boating course. These 46 were sorted by cities and sent to the educational officers in squadrons/clubs in their area. The results are to be determined.

I want to thank the D-16 Bridge for approving the order for the fancy tablecloth, raffle prizes and printing. Thanks to Barbara Erickson for helping to design an awesome flyer and much encouragement. Thanks to the volunteers from the America's Boating Club of Snohomish County: Claire Greer, Danny Daniels, Cdr Annette and Dan Ferguson, DEO

Jim West, Greg Nelson and Joellyn Jackson. Thanks to Bremerton for Marie McBride. Thanks to Tacoma for SEO Scott and Gaby MacLeod, David and Paulette Sitenstock, and Cdr Craig and Sandy Brown. Thanks to Bellevue for Mark Chirstensen. Finally, thanks to former Everett member, Kim Williams and her friend Kimberly Christenson. This was a big hit with the kids and I'd love to do it again next year.



Photos from the Boat Show, Boating Safety 4 Kids



Shipwrecked on the Great Pacific Garbage Patch with guest speaker Rhianna Janovich from Waste Management



Rhianna Janovich with Susan Tarpley





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BECOME A SKILLED BOATER

🚩 UPCOMING COURSES 🚩

⚓ ABC (AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE) ⚓ FALL AND SPRING

Great for learning boat safety for aspiring captains & their shipmates!
 This course meets the Washington State Boater Education Card
 requirement, and reduces many boat insurance premiums.

⚓ BOAT HANDLING - FALL AND SPRING ⚓

Recommended for those who have a Boater Education Card.

Learn the responsibilities of being a Captain, how to prepare your
 boat for launch, boat handling under various conditions, anchoring,
 how to tie knots and lines and how to deal with boat emergencies.

🚩 UPCOMING SEMINARS 🚩

⚓ PARTNER IN COMMAND - JUNE 2026 ⚓

⚓ FREE VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS ⚓

A free service offered by America's Boating Club of Snohomish
 County and is part of being a responsible boat operator. The
 check gives you peace of mind that your recreational boat
 has all required safety equipment.

To request a Vessel Safety Check,
 Contact Danny Daniels, dannyldaniels@gmail.com

CHECK OUT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES!

CONTACT US AT: BOATCLUBSNOCO.ORG | EDU.BOATSNOCO@GMAIL.COM





Visit: <http://www.usps.org/national/vsc/>
 Visit: <http://www.safetyseal.net>



Vessel Safety Check

Anyone who would like a vessel safety check done on their boat

Contacts are below:

VSC Chairman

Lt Danny Daniels, AP 206/229-9649

DannyLDaniels@gmail.com

D/Lt/C James West, JN 330-495-4442

phnx789@msn.com

Vessel Safety Exam 2026

Contact: Lt Danny L. Daniels, AP for

Vessel Safety Checks Schedule

14 March, Everett Marina

11 April, Shelter Bay

9 May Everett Marina

Please Check Back for Dates

Starting in February through October: The second Saturday of every month we will be at the Port of Everett and Dagmar's from 9am to 3pm. Pre-registration is appreciated.

VSC... PERMISSION TO COME ABOARD!

by Lt Danny Daniels, AP

Looking for a simple way to volunteer and provide a valued service to the boating community at large? WE offer FREE Vessel Safety Checks to all boats under 65 foot, and that takes Examiners. Most examinations are under an hour; and you will meet some fascinating boaters as well as touring some beautiful boats.

Can you do this ?? YES YOU CAN!! Just a simple Training Course and a brief test at the end, and you are ready to start checking vessels. Your first 5 vessels will be in the company of a currently certified Examiner; you will watch 2 VSChecks and then do 3 more on your own while being assisted. Then you will be ready do checks on your own. WE also do events for Yacht Clubs where we meet on a special day and cover 15 to 20 boats. **Contact:** Lt Danny L Daniels AP -if you would like to start.



Trash found in the ocean and sound

Compass

Set a Course for Better Boating

Tips for spring commissioning



Spring commissioning is less about de-winterizing than it is about scouting for potential problems and addressing them.

[READ MORE](#)



TO JOIN THE **COMMUNITY** REWARDS PROGRAM:

- Have your Freddy's card handy
- If you do not yet have a Freddy's card they are available at the customer service desk at any Freddy's or Kroger or QFC store.
- Register your Freddy's card online at the www.FredMeyer.com/CommunityRewards
- Click on "Enroll". Follow the steps to create an account and link it to your Freddy's card number.
- Enter our NPO number which is BD627 or Everett Sail and Power Squadron and click on "confirm".



Our Club's monthly food drive is still on-going, so please help us to help others. Current Needs at the local food banks include:

- Canned Goods
- Boxed Meals Cereal or Oatmeal
- Protein or Breakfast Bars
- Kitchen Staples
- Toiletries
- Feminine Products
- Baby & Adult Diapers and Wipes
- Pet Food
- Monetary Donations

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USPS Member Benefits Link

https://www.usps.org/national/admin_dept/benefitsdescription.htm

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Webmaster: Lt Linda Skugstad, AP-info.boatsnoco@gmail.com



2026 D/16 Rendezvous

Port Ludlow Marina

June 5—7 2026

PLAN NOW FOR ANOTHER FUN AND EXCITING TIME IN
PORT LUDLOW!

WHAT'S IN STORE:

- 15 slips reserved under “USPS—D16”
- 5 king-size rooms reserved at The Old Alcohol Plant Inn
- Port Ludlow RV Park for RVers

WHAT'S IN STORE ON FRIDAY!

- 5 p.m. Big Tent Docktails on Friday evening

WHAT'S IN STORE ON SATURDAY?

- 9 a.m. Big Tent Morning Wake-Up with coffee/sweets
- 6 p.m. Big Tent Catered Taco Bar Dinner
- Silent Auction [Squadrons start thinking about your donations]
- Plenty of time for Seminars, Games, Vessel Safety Checks, Co-op Charting and other adventures in the area

Questions? Contact Dave McBride 360.228.6003 or email: davmcb@comcast.net

Everett Sail and Power Squadron is



Online "Members Only": Please see Roster for phone numbers and email addresses

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MONTHLY GATHERINGS

When: First Tuesday of the month except July & August,
 Second Wednesday of the month in November.
 (Meeting dates may change on occasion)

Time: Social 6:30 pm
 Dinner 7:00 pm
 Program 7:30 pm

Location: Firefighters Hall
 2411 Hewitt Ave.
 Everett, WA 98201

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

When: Second Tuesday of each month except July
Time: Business Meeting 1830 (6:30 pm)

Location: ON ZOOM

All members welcome!



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Telephone Committee

P/C Linda Martin, JN
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