



The Pilot



Monthly Newsletter

December 2019

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The Holiday Season is upon us! Starting the day after Thanksgiving and running through December 23, don't forget to enjoy or partake in the Argosy Christmas Ship festival & parade. The route covers over 65 different waterfront communities around Lake Washington and Puget Sound. You can check out the full schedule of events at the [Argosy website](#).



Photo Courtesy of Argosy Cruises

Be sure to [register](#) for the upcoming Holiday Party, Saturday, Dec 7th at the Queen City Yacht Club! Tickets are \$45 per person. See the flyer below.



HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, Dec 7, 2019
6 PM-10:30 PM at QCYC
Advance tickets \$45 pp

- Chef Willie's famous Prime Rib/Salmon dinner
- 50's/60's photo booth and silent auction
- Which Happy Days character are you? 50's/60's dress-up, music, DJ & dancing!
- Jukebox replica and appearance by Happy Days characters!!!

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
Seattle Sail & Power Squadron of SEATTLEQueen City Yacht Club
2608 Boyer Ave E, Seattle, WA 98102

Happy Holidays to the entire Seattle Sail & Power Squadron!

SEATTLE SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON BRIDGE

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Commander	Cdr Margaret Nordahl, S	(206) 226-7349
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Secretary	Lt/C John Walsh, S	(206) 399-5678

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District 16: www.uspsd16.org

Revised: 9/29/2019

DISTRICT 16 BRIDGE

Commander	D/C Annette Ferguson, AP
Executive Officer	D/Lt/C Craig Brown, SN-IN
Admin Officer	D/Lt/C Debbie Richey, JN
Ed. Officer	D/Lt/C Al Keim, SN, ACN
Assist Ed. Officer	D/1st/Lt Jim West, JN
Secretary	D/Lt/C Sandy Thomas, AP
Treasurer	D/Lt/C Rose Ann Walker, JN
Past Commander	P/D/C Mahmoud Abdel-Monem,

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER

Commander	Cdr Margaret Nordahl, S
Commander's Aide	P/C Lita Johnson, N
Flag Lieutenant	Lt/C John Walsh, S
Merit Mark Officer	Lt Peter Wardwell, S
Education Fund Chair	Lt Shirley Bollinger, AP
Historian	P/C Tim Rutledge, SN

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Educational Officer	Lt/C Gail Kalbrener, JN
Administrative Officer	Lt/C Robert Dahlin, AP
Secretary	Lt/C John Walsh, S
Treasurer	P/C Lita Johnson, N
Asst Educational Officer	P/C Lita Johnson, N
Elected Member	Lt Peter Wardwell, S
Elected Member	Lt David Rust, JN
Elected Member	Lt Mike Lancey, AP
Past Commander	P/C James Haglund, P

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Executive Officer	Lt/C Patrick McSweeney, AP
Boat Show CH	D/Lt /C Albert Keim, SN
Canadian Liaison	Lt David Berger, S
Legislative Officer	Lt Robert Fisher, AP
Public Relations	Lt Maureen E. Newman, P
Radio Tech Officer	Lt David Rust, JN
Safety Officer	Lt Steve Rittereiser, S
VSC Chair Examiner	P/C James Haglund, P
Vessel Examiners	Lt R. Holden Belcher (Rip Knot)
	Lt Rebecca Garvie, P
Cooperative Charting CH	Position Open
Sea Scouts Liaison	Lt Stephen Taylor, S
USCG Liaison	Lt Chris Antony, P

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Educational Officer	Lt/C Gail Kalbrener, JN
Asst Educational Officer	P/C Lita Johnson, N
Boating Class CH	Lt Eileen Huggins, SN
ABC & Seminars CH	P/Lt/C William Ray, AP
ABC Instructors	Lt Eileen Huggins, SN
	P/Lt/C Reid Larson, AP
	P/C Lita Johnson, N
	Lt Stephen Taylor, S
	Lt David Geller, P
Advanced Grades CH	Lt/C Gail Kalbrener, JN
Boat Handling	P/Lt/C William Ray, AP
Marine Navigation	Lt/C Gail Kalbrener, JN
Advanced Marine Nav.	Lt/C Gail Kalbrener, JN
Offshore Navigation	P/C Tim Rutledge, SN
Celestial Navigation	Lt Raymond Huggins, SN
Elective Courses CH	
Cruise Planning	Lt Eileen Huggins, SN
Engine Maintenance	P/Lt/C William Ray, AP
Instructor Development	P/C Nadeane Rutledge, SN
Marine Elec Systems	Position Open
Elect Nav Systems	Position Open
Marine Comm Systems	Lt Raymond Huggins, SN
Sail	Position Open
Weather	P/Lt/C William Ray, AP
Sextant Custodian	Lt Eileen Huggins, SN

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Administrative Officer	Lt/C Robert Dahlin, AP
Bartending Comm. CH	Lt Rebecca Garvie, P
Fleet Captains	
Port Captain	Lt R. Holden Belcher (Rip Knot)
Membership Committee CH	R/C Barbara Erickson, JN
Mbr. Involvement	Position Open
Mbr. Processing	P/C Lita Johnson, N
Associate Mbr.	Lt Susan Johnston, JN
Member Benefits CH	Position Open
Operations Training	P/C James Haglund, P
Photographer	Steve Erickson, JN
Program Committee CH	Lt Adrienne Dahlin, S
SeaFair Derby CH	P/C James Haglund, P
Squadron Artist	Lt Janice Reeb, JN
Sunshine Comm CH	P/C Cathy McDonald, JN
Telephone Comm. CH	Lt Maureen Newman, P
	Lt Cheryl Antony, P
	Shirley Bollinger, AP
Dinner Meeting Coordinator	Lt Cheryl Antony, P
Boating Activity CH	Lt Suzanne Schoonover, JN
Youth Poster CH	Lt Jon Brown, S

SECRETARIAL DEPARTMENT

Secretary	Lt/C John Walsh, S
Electronic Committee CH	Lt Gordon Sivley, S
Grant Writer	Lt Katherine Vollenweider, S
Information Tech Contact	P/C James Haglund, P
National Roster	P/C James Haglund, P
Pilot Advertising CH	Lt Peter Wardwell, S
Social Media CH	Lt Adrienne Dahlin, S
Squadron Roster	Lt Maggi Murphy, JN
Pilot Editor	Lt Jon Brown, S
Webmaster	P/C James Haglund, P

TREASURER DEPARTMENT

Treasurer	P/C Lita Johnson, N
Dinner Mtg Bookkeeping	Lt Chris Antony, P
Ships Store	Lt/C Robert Dahlin, AP
	Lt Adrienne Dahlin, S

GENERAL COMMITTEES

Auditing Committee CH	Lt Lewis Titland, JN
	Lt Mike Lancey, AP
	Lt Wendy Rittereiser, S
	Lt Janet Pearson, S
Nominating Comm CH.	P/C Lita Johnson, N
	Position Open (2 year)
	P/C James Haglund, P
Rules Committee CH	P/C Steve Kodish, JN
	P/C Richard Kay, SN
	P/C Ginger Marshall-St. Arnaud, AP

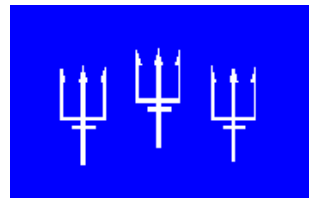
STANDING COMMITTEES

Legal Officer	Position Open
Property Officers	Position Open
House Committee CH	Lt Rebecca Garvie, P



Cdr Margaret Nordahl, S

From the Helm



December 2019 Pilot Article

Happy Holidays to our America's Boating Club of Seattle! As we head into our last month of 2019 and ready ourselves to begin a new decade, I'm prompted to reiterate my gratitude message from our November dinner meeting. Thank you one and all. Everything we do here helps support our mission of Boating Education, Promotion of safe boating practices and Fellowship on and off the water.

To that end, I'd like to encourage a small group of people to join me in training to become a Mentor trainer for our squadron. Unfortunately, although our squadron is good at bringing in new members, our retention numbers are suffering and we need experienced members to help newer members as they "navigate" the workings of our organization. Statistics tell us that the first 3 years of membership in an organization are the most critical to retaining newer members long term.

It is a pretty simple concept. Remember how you felt starting a new school or meeting people for the first time? When you start anything new? Its nice to have someone to rely on to help you learn the ropes (or in our case, the lines!) Simply agree to join me for a short 2-3 hour training session to be held sometime in January or February (time and location TBD) and be available to help train others in our squadron to be mentors too. Make a welcome phone call, meet a new member at a dinner meeting, invite the new member on your boat for a rendezvous! Make a new friend and help build confidence in a newer boater or someone who has relocated to our beautiful Pacific Northwest and doesn't know the first thing about our waters.

By reaching out you'll help to make our club stronger and you'll be richer for the experience in making a new friend or two. Please contact me directly at either 206.226.7349 or via email at ssaps.cdr@gmail.com and let me know you are interested. Your help is much appreciated!

Looking forward to seeing you all at our upcoming Holiday Party on December 7th. It's always a blast and our Administrative Officer Lt/C Robert Dahlin, AP has been working very hard to make it a Happy Days rockin' good time!

Thank you!

Commander Margaret





Capt. Rob's Roadstead

Illuminating the Holidays

Happy Holidays Squadron Members!!! With the completion of the Thanksgiving holiday, many boaters are looking forward to decorating their boats for the upcoming holiday parade of boats or just to look festive in the slip. When decorating your boat with lights, follow these rules to ensure you and your boat are safe during the holiday season.



1. Come up with a plan before lighting your boat. This can involve a sketch or layout of the theme you wish to present and the lights required to make it a reality.
2. In your plan, be sure to account for being able to safely exit, enter and operate your vehicle. This should also account for ease of opening for hatches, fuel and gear stowage ports.
3. Use LED lights that minimize current draw and reduce the risk of tripping boat and slip breakers. Battery powered Led light strands can also help minimize current draw, while being easy to turn off to reduce glare for piloting your vessel. Read all ratings/reviews before purchasing your lights and follow all safety instructions on the packaging.
4. String lights above deck level in case docking assistance is needed and to help reduce the chance that the waves or wake might reach them.

5. Do not obstruct your navigation lights, windshield wipers and radar. Also, keep cleats clear, so they can be used for docking and emergencies.
6. Have fire extinguishers and flashlights at the ready in the event of fire.
7. If lighting your vessel in the slip, use an outdoor rated timer to safely turn your light display on/off.

For more information on lighting up your boat for the holidays, checkout this BoatUS webpage:

<https://www.boatus.com/magazine/2013/december/designing-a-holiday-lights-display-for-your-boat.asp>

Thanks to all our members that attended the membership meeting on November 21, 2019! Special



Thanks go out to Saxon Bisbee of Northwest Seaport who provided an excellent presentation of the historic vessels in the fleet, like the historic tug, Arthur Foss and the lightship Swiftsure. <http://www.nwseaport.org/> Please support Northwest Seaport by visiting their vessels, participating in their many activities or donating to their fine organization! Also, thank you, Willie, for the best Thanksgiving dinner we have ever had at Queen City Yacht club!!! I always look forward to this catered dinner, but this year was over the top!!! MMMMM!

Ayyyyyy!!! The Fonz says be cool and [register](#) for the Happy Days Holiday Party on Saturday, Dec 7th at the Queen City Yacht Club! Join your Squadron cast of 50's/60's Happy Days cast members as DJ Capt. Rob {yours truly} strikes up the tunes of that nostalgic era and gets the dance floor rocking!



So be cool and [register](#) today and enjoy our 50's photo booth, silent auction and Seeburg m100g jukebox replica!!! Tickets are \$45 pp, which includes prime rib/salmon meal, music, dancing and karaoke! Register online and pay in advance to reserve your chair so you can "Sit on it"!!

Looking forward to sharing the evening with you at another fabulous squadron event!!

Captain Rob, your squadron AO.





Lt/C Gail Kalbrener, JN

Gail Force Winds



Education, Education, get your Education!

Aloha from Mau'i, Lana'i and Kaua'i!



Thanks for giving or Happy Thanksgiving. Which is it for you? As a Native American, it does have a different meaning, but I will go with the good stuff and be thankful. I am thankful for family. I am thankful for blending two families together this week for a vacation in Mau'i. I am thankful to all the students who take courses to better themselves in boating. I am thankful for all USPS educators that volunteer their time. I am especially thankful for SSAPS instructors for the time they spend volunteering to educate, whether it's a small class or large. I am thankful to the spouses or loved ones of the instructors, while they take away from family time to prepare for the courses they teach. I AM thankful for YOU.

Congratulations to the following students for passing the latest **Boat Handling Course**.

*George Ladas
Phil Nored
Matt Roach*

*Kim Nolte
Stephanie Nored*

A Big HIGH-FIVE to Matt Roach for the highest score. It was a very close score for everyone.

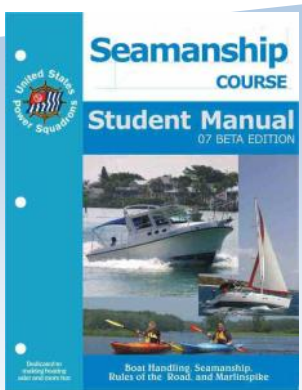
What's up next for classes?

ABC Classes – all for 2020. January, February, April, June, September, November, December. Also, for 2020, for the first time, we will have an On-the-water component added for a full weekend class in May and July. More details to come for these classes.

Cost: \$40 members/non-members. Instructors: Bill Ray, AP, Lita Johnson, N, Reid Larson, AP, Stephen Taylor, S, David Geller, P, Gail Kalbrener, JN

Boat Handling (Seamanship) Course – Mondays starting in January. More details to follow once the room has been secured. Spread the word.

Cost: \$70 members / \$140 non-members. Instructors: Bill Ray, AP, Reid Larson, AP



Marine Navigation (Piloting) Course – Tuesdays starting in January. More details to follow once the room has been secured. This course will have an e-classroom component. Spread the word.

Cost: \$80 members / \$145 non-members. Instructor: Gail Kalbrener, JN

Advanced Marine Navigation (Advanced Piloting) Course – Wednesdays starting in January. More details to follow once the room has been secured. This course will have an e-classroom component. Spread the word.

Cost: \$80 members / \$145 non-members. Instructor: Gail Kalbrener, JN

Results from the latest graduates will be posted in the next issue once their tests have been graded.

Offshore Navigation (Junior Navigation) Course – I would love to see some students advance to this course as it has been redesigned and simplified. Amazing instructors that teach this course. I will get you set up with another Squadron if you are interested. Let me know.

Celestial Navigation (Navigation) Course – Very intense and time-consuming course. I won't lie. Me and Lewis Titland, JN, are taking the course. But it is so worth it what you get out of this course. Course is taught by the 2018 Chapman Award winning instructor Dave Greene, SN. When you are ready, I will get you signed up with Bellevue Power Squadron.

Instructor Development Course – February. Looking for new instructors that are interested in teaching the ABC course. Or assist and team-teach any other course. Or teach a seminar. We need you. I know four of you that are interested. The class can start earlier, and it can also work around your schedule. Let's talk.

Finishing out my vacation on the island of Kaua'i with my trusty sextant in hand, to take my sights – sun, moon, planet and stars. I understand students come here to Hawaii this time of year when they are in the Celestial Nav Course, so here I am. Weather hasn't been as cooperative as I'd like it to be, but it is better than back home I hear, at least to see the sun for this course. Crossing my fingers, the sun comes out long enough for me to get my sights on this island and the clouds clear long enough to see some stars and planets. Saturn, Venus and Jupiter have all been visible near the moon. Super cool to see that at this latitude.

Wishing all the best of the holidays to come. Enjoy the Holiday Party. See you when I return from a walk in the clouds high above the Haleakala Crater.



Yours in Education,
Captain Gail

Membership Matters

R/C Barbara Erickson, JN

Member Involvement

Half the squadron year is over and the Administrative Department's Membership Committee is still seeking a Member Involvement chairperson. The squadron is like a village, it takes a squadron to raise a member. Let's continue to build our family by getting our newer members involved. And if you are a new member or a member who hasn't been able to get involved. Make this your New Year's resolution—help the squadron raise a member!

Keep watching the Pilot for the next event—possibly in January in West Seattle! Grub in the Pub offers you the opportunity to visit and enjoy different appetizers and drinks at Happy Hour prices in different parts of the city with your squadron friends.

November Grub in the Pub



Left to right: Margaret, Suzanne, Janet, Gordon, Reid and Steve

Gordon Sively, S and Janet Pearson, S

The [Salt and Iron](#) restaurant in downtown Edmonds was the site for the “Grub in the Pub” event held on Wednesday, 13 November. P/Lt/C Reid Larson, AP, and Lt Suzanne M. Schoonover, JN, Gordon Sivley, S, and Janet Pearson, S, Steve Erickson, JN, (organizer R/C Barbara Erickson, JN was unable to attend due to the flu) and our Commander Margaret Nordahl, S, gathered for a fun chat and delicious bites including grilled octopus, smelt fries and grilled Landjaeger sausage from Bavarian Meats.

Grub in the Pub is a great opportunity to get to know other Squadron members. We shared boating stories, ideas for future boating destinations, and plans for future Grub in the Pub gatherings.

Hello SSAPS Boating Family. Please help spread birthday cheer to our most senior member, Caroline Butler.



2015 Caroline Butler Birthday visit by SSAPS friends, photo by Steve Erickson

20 December 2019, Caroline Butler will turn 106 years old. Caroline was born in 1913! She joined SSAPS in 1993 and served as our sunshine committee chair and on the phone committee. Her late husband, Bernard and Caroline owned a Cruise a Home called Pickle-loo and a Siamese cat Ping who followed them like a dog. When I first met her, she was off to Antarctica.

Please help make Caroline's birthday special and send this sweet homebound senior a birthday card in December. Her address is in the Roster.

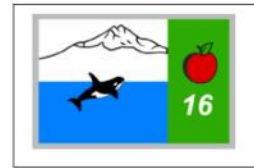
P/C Leslie Kodish



“Educate like a Captain

Play like a Pirate”

**Annual District 16 Conference
13-15 March 2020**



Name: _____ Spouse/Guest Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Squadron: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

FUNCTION: (Meal prices include gratuity & Sales tax)	*Early Bird \$*	Regular \$	# of People	Total \$
Friday – Incoming Officer training 1300 – 1600 Des Moines YC - 22737 Marine View Dr, Des Moines see next page	XXX	XXX	_____	XXX
Friday – Registration 1500 - 1800 DoubleTree Suites - 16500 Southcenter Pkwy, Tukwila	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Friday - Dinner - dress as your favorite Captain or Pirate 1900 - 2000 Spaghetti w/ meatballs, salad, garlic bread with music	\$38.00	\$43.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday – Breakfast - Breakfast is available at the hotel	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Saturday – Tour of Seattle Chocolate Co 0930 – 1130 see next page	XXX	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday – Clinic “Clarifying stray currents” 1330 – 1530 see next page	XXX	XXX	_____	XXX
Saturday – Lunch 1200 - 1300 Baja Salad Buffet; salad greens w/ assorted toppings available	\$28.00	\$33.00	_____	\$ _____
Saturday – No-Host Social 1700 - 1800	XXX	XXX	_____	XXX
Saturday – Dinner 1800 - 2000 1. <u>Garlic roasted Chicken w/ smoked mozzarella cream</u> 2. <u>Salmon Linguini</u> All Entrees served with dinner salad, seasonal vegetables, new potatoes, coffee/decaf/tea Final chance for Raffle Tickets and Silent Auction bids	\$45.00 \$45.00	\$50.00 \$50.00	_____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____
* Early Bird prices apply only for Registrations post-marked by 15 January 2020 Registrations & payment MUST be received prior to 21 February 2020				TOTAL:

Please make checks payable to: “Poverty Bay Sail & Power Squadron” and mail with Registration Form to: Joanna Webster, 31820 37th Ave SW, Federal Way, WA 98023-2176, Phone: (253) 927-7474.

Make hotel reservations directly with DoubleTree Suites no later than **Friday, 28 February 2020** by using below link or calling: (800) 222-8733. Request Group Code “D16” to get conference rate prices.

DoubleTree Suites, 16500 Southcenter Pkwy, Tukwila, WA
https://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/SEASPDT-D16-20200313/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

**** Please do NOT book your room through Expedia.com, hotels.com or similar sites.
We do not get credit against our required room-night guarantee for those bookings****

For questions, please contact Joanna Webster at: (253) 927-7474 or email at jimjoweb@aol.com

Additional Function Details:

Incoming Officer training

Those that sign up for this training will be contact via e-mail about options for getting to the Des Moines Yacht Club.

Seattle Chocolate Co. Tour

Experience chocolate at the Seattle Chocolate factory and flagship store.

Taste their signature, smooth chocolate recipes throughout your journey. **Explore** their chocolate-making machines and the start-to-finish creation of their truffles. **Discover** the history of chocolate, the untold stories of Seattle Chocolate Company, and learn how they invent new flavors. Plus, share some ideas of your own!

Those that sign up for this tour will be contact via e-mail about transportation arrangements (time & place).

Clinic “Clarifying stray currents”

Why doesn't your boat's electrical work when connected to the new 30mA marina electrical systems. Why are your zincs wearing out fast. Why are we hearing more about electrocution of swimmers. Learn about what to look for on your boat to avoid these bit falls and avoid failing a marine survey.

Activities & shopping

There is lots of activities and shopping available within walking and/or free hotel shuttle ride of the hotel.



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Group Forum & Marketplace

Please signup to be a part of our [GROUP FORUM & MARKET-PLACE](#) page on our website. The more members that signup the more useful it becomes as a resource. Simply select the Login/Signup button and enter your email and your personal password – that's it!

Why join? Because once you've signed up you may utilize the following groups:



General Discussions

Share just about anything associated to boating and or our organization (no political stuff here) Stories, ideas, pictures, questions or whatever is on your mind. Here you can start discussions, connect with members, reply to comments, and more.

Items for Sale or Trade

Sell it here. You can add photos, an asking price and a brief description.



Free Stuff

Post useful items that you no longer need and that deserve a second chance :)

Boating Opportunities

Looking for an opportunity to go boating? Post what you're looking for - Captain or Crew.



Help Wanted

Do you need help with a task or service?

As a member of this forum you will also be notified when something has been added or you have received a response to your ad or request for information. Your personal notifications can be modified to your preference under settings. Select the icon to access.

<https://www.seattlesailpowersquadron.org/forum>

P/C James Haglund, P
ssaps.pc@gmail.com

New website Event & Class Calendar

I have recently added new Event and Educational calendars to our website. The Event calendar will take the place of the “What’s Happening”, “Calendar View” and “Rendezvous Schedule” pages previously shown on the website. The new Educational calendar is similar except that it will be a much better way of displaying the classes and courses.

What I like about this calendar approach, besides consolidating the events and classes into one location, is the squadron officers will be able to post their events and classes directly without going through the me, the webmaster. Plus, all members and non-members can register for a User Account, with the developer of the program, TeamUp, which will provide you with Event notifications and Reminders as they happen. Although a user account is not required to view the calendars, I highly recommend getting an account, to stay connected.

The [Event calendar](#) is broken up into sub-calendars and I will provide each officer with access to add and make changes to the calendar based on their squadron responsibilities.

The [Educational calendar](#) is also broken up into sub-calendars, and the SEO and ASSEO will both maintain the upcoming educational schedule.

Please check out the new Calendar, it has some great features. The default view is set to Monthly but you can change that to fit your needs. Once open you just select an event and it will bring up detailed information including any links to flyers, signup forms, etc. It’s all there.

Some cool features:

- User friendly and intuitive.
- The events or course categories are organized by Color.
- Flexible display options: Basic calendar views Month, Week, Day, Agenda, Scheduler view, agenda or list view displaying details and inline images. Your Choice!
- Share events without sharing the calendar. Easily share an event on the calendar by email, on Facebook, as a web page or add to your own calendar program (google, outlook or iCal)
- Easily viewed on your mobile phone

Here is a [LINK](#) to a Getting Started Guide For All Users

If you need help or have questions contact:

P/C James Haglund, P

ssaps.webmaster@gmail.com

(206) 258-9100

What's Happening Calendar

November & December 2019

Thursday Dec 5, 2019

18:00 - 20:00

Eboard Meeting

Calendar: E-board Meetings

Where: Salmon Bay Café

Contact Margaret Nordahl at ssaps.cdr@gmail.com

Saturday Dec 7, 2019

18:00 - 22:30

Holiday Party

Calendar: Dinner Meetings

Where: Queen City Yacht Club

Join the Squadron gang of Happy Days and dress up as your favorite character from the iconic TV series or in your 50's/60's attire. We will have dancing, a photo booth, great food from Queen City Yacht Club's Chef Willie and a special appearance by the "Fonz".

Additionally, we plan to have a silent auction to raise money for the Squadron, so if you want to donate a basket, please let me know what you plan to create so we can make sure to leave room on the table for your item!!!

[Link to Flyer](#) Reservation [Online](#)

Thursday Dec 19, 2019

All day

NO Dinner Meeting - See Holiday Party

Calendar: Dinner Meetings

Where: Queen City Yacht Club, 2608 Boyer Ave E, Seattle, WA 98102

Thursday Jan 9, 2020

18:00 - 20:00

Eboard Meeting

Calendar: E-board Meetings

Where: TBD

Contact Margaret Nordahl at ssaps.cdr@gmail.com

Thursday Jan 16, 2020

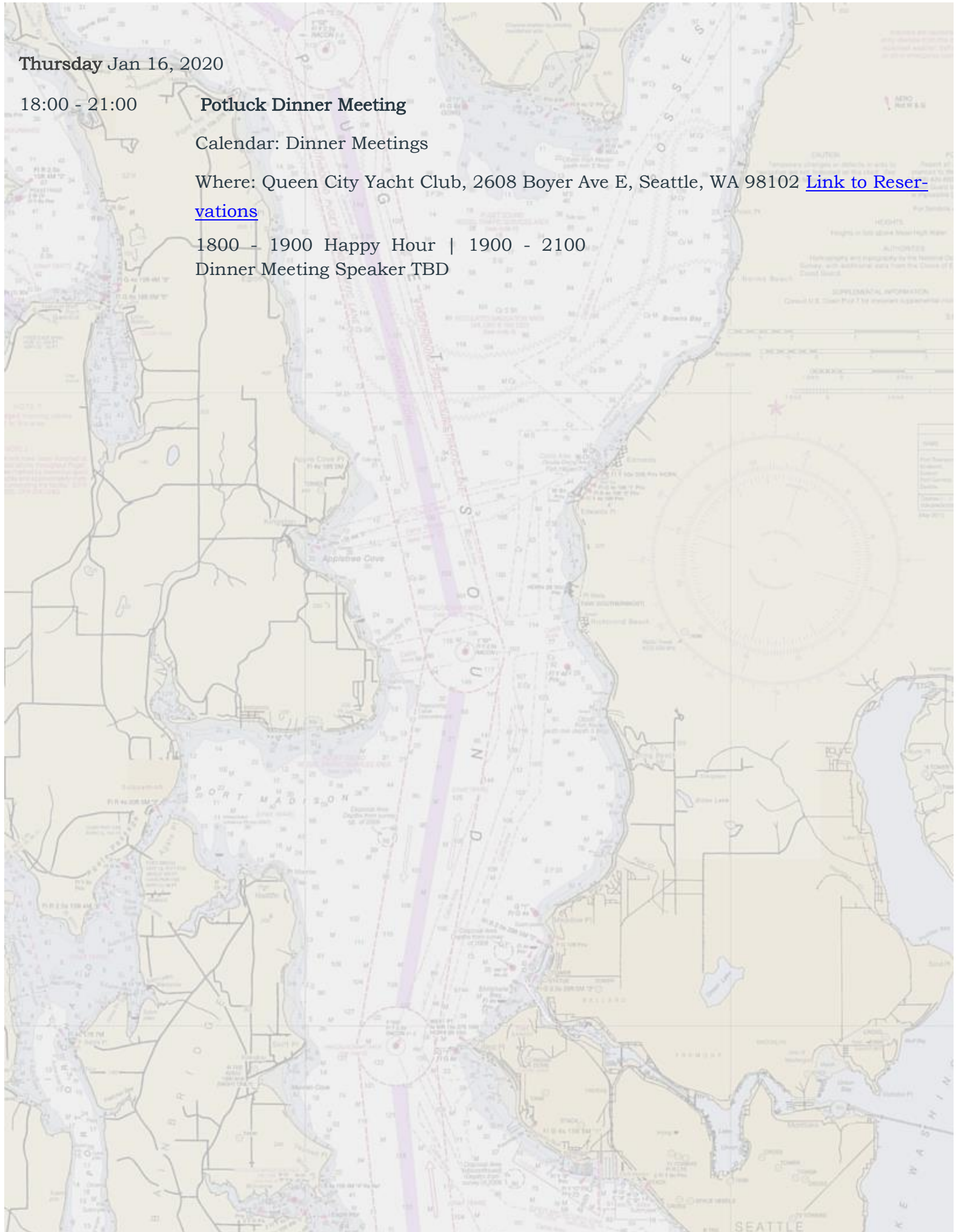
18:00 - 21:00

Potluck Dinner Meeting

Calendar: Dinner Meetings

Where: Queen City Yacht Club, 2608 Boyer Ave E, Seattle, WA 98102 [Link to Reservations](#)

1800 - 1900 Happy Hour | 1900 - 2100
Dinner Meeting Speaker TBD





The Pilot's Shorts

Instagram marketing chair job available - easy volunteer job. Post monthly on our Instagram site. Easy social media photo poster gig. See P/C Leslie Kodish for info. Follow SeattleSailAndPowerSquadron on Instagram.

Become an Associate Member of SSAPS - Are you interested in becoming an Associate member of Seattle Sail and Power Squadron? If you are a member of one of the squadrons of the United States Power Squadrons or a member of Burnaby Power and Sail Squadron (our sister Squadron in British Columbia) we welcome you to become an Associate Member of Seattle Sail and Power Squadron. To join, all you have to do is let me know, and I will send you an application form. Contact me at Lt Susan Johnston, JN.



On the Water Education (OTW) - Members interested in OTW education please contact Jim West, regional director for OTW events, at jwestboat-er@comcast.net

Be a Part of History - As Squadron Historian, I collect photographs every year for storage in the Squadron archives. Steve Erickson, JN is a huge resource for this and we are ever so grateful. However, I welcome pictures from others, preferably low resolution to minimize electronic storage. Send them to me at P/C Tim Rutledge, SN.



Keep your membership Information up to date - If there are any changes to your address or contact information there is an online form you may fill out on the membership page of our Seattle website. This also includes boat and or boat name changes as well. We don't want you to be left out of the loop.

<https://www.seattlesailpowersquadron.org/member-update>

Merit Marks - Want to view or print your merit mark from 2018? Go to <http://www.usps.org/php/DHinders/meritmarks/getMM.php> and put in your USPS Certificate number. You can find the Merit Marks form linked [here](#).

Vessel Safety Checks (VSC) Call and schedule your free inspection today! VSC Chair P/C James Haglund, P caddmandew@gmail.com 206-258-9100, or use the Online Request Form:

<https://www.seattlesailpowersquadron.org/vsc-request>



Flare Disposal Option - Disposing of old marine flares always seems like a challenge. They can't be shot off as a demonstration. Sometimes Police or Fire Departments will take them, but it can be a hassle to arrange this. Thankfully, several King County transfer stations now accept expired flares. The North Seattle, South Seattle, and Factoria Hazardous Waste sites will accept up to 10 expired marine flares per person. For more information, visit www.HazWasteHelp.org or call (206) 296-4692.

Happy December Birthdays!

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| 1 Lt. Christopher Antony, P | 18 George Moore, N |
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The [USCG Float Plan](#) is specifically designed to provide Search And Rescue (SAR) personnel with the critical information they need to locate you quickly. It is divided into six (6) major sections each of which perform a specific function. Below we review the last one (1) of the six (6), which is located on Page 3:

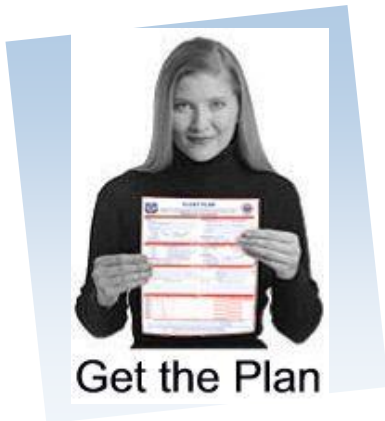
"Boating Emergency Guide™" section

This exclusive guide provides step-by-step instructions, for the person holding your plan, on what to do if they have a genuine concern for the safety or welfare of the persons on board, should you not "Check-in" or return as planned:

- Requires no prior boating knowledge to use it effectively.
- Uses "Job Aid" technology to guide and direct the person holding you plan on what to do, when to do it and how to do it.

Whether you are a power boater or kayaker, the USCG Float Plan works for you. Set up a basic plan ahead of time and save it on you computer. Update it when you decide where and when you're going to go. Then, e-mail your completed plan to whoever you choose to follow up should you not return or check-in as planned.

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