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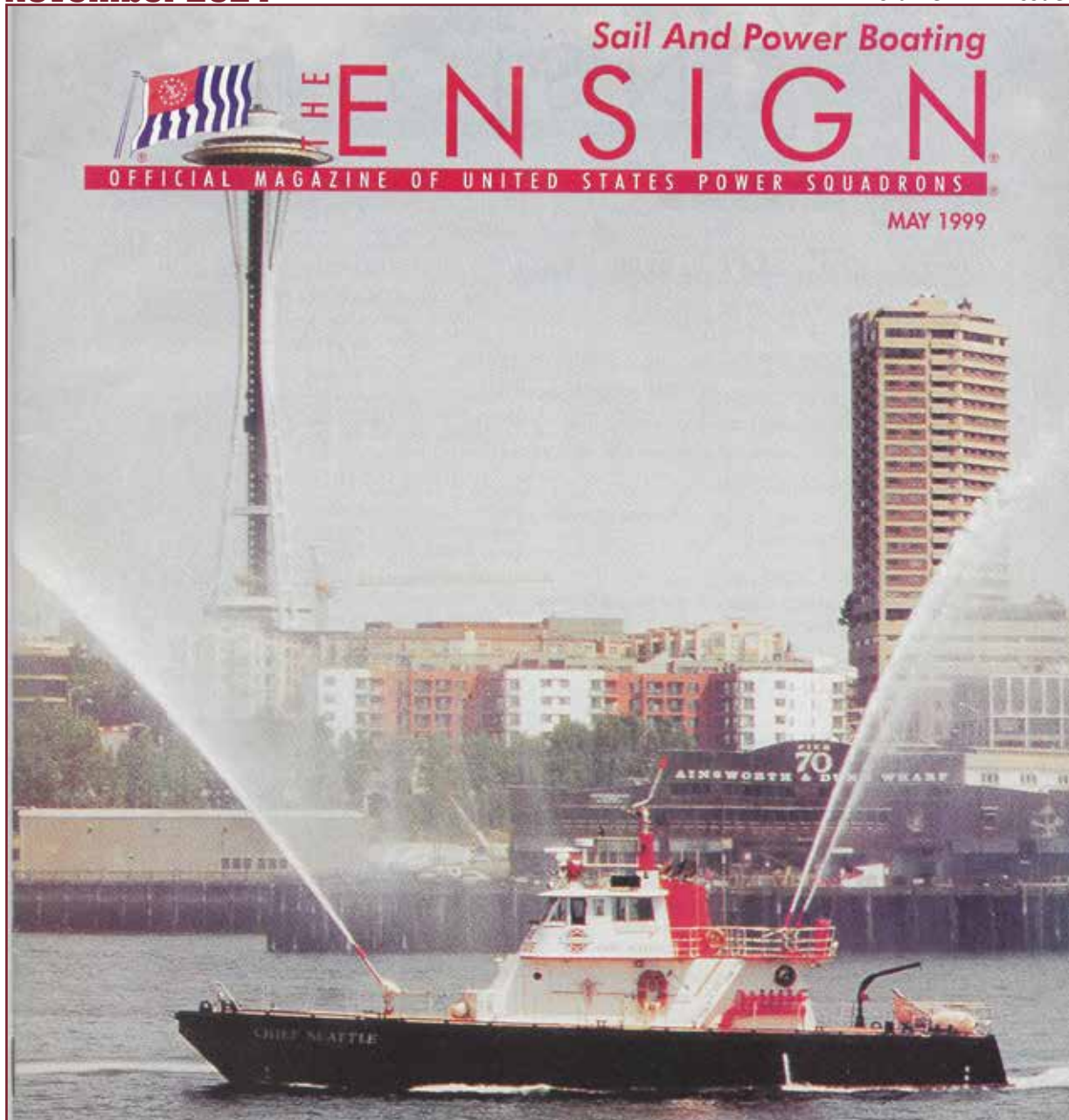


# *The Pike Pole*

For Boaters, By Boaters™

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## **November Highlights**

Wednesday 6 - Monthly Gathering at Firefighters Hall on Hewitt Ave. in Everett, 6:30 pm  
"Anything Goes.... Mix it up," Celebrating Autumn

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 CLUB CALENDAR for  
**2024**

**November**

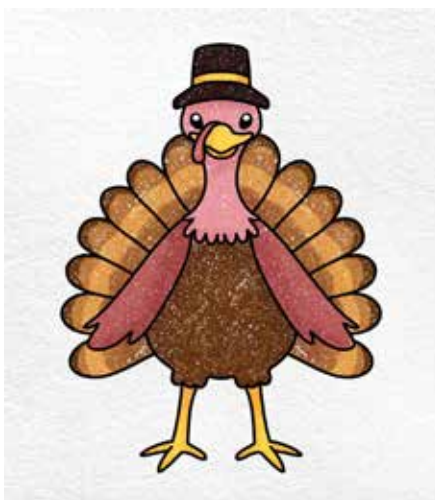
- 6 Monthly Gathering (note Wednesday date), Anything Goes....Mix it up," Autumn Celebration *and fellowship at Everett's Firefighters Hall, Thanksgiving themed Potluck, Christmas House bike fund and food bank donations encouraged, 6:30 pm*
- 12 Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm
- 16 Woodinville Wine Tasting Rendezvous. Details on Page 7, RSVP Susan T.

**December**

- 3 Holiday Party at Shawn O'Donnell's, Everett, Invitation in November Pike Pole, \$30.00 per person, 6:00 pm
- 7 Holiday at the Bay family event, Port of Everett, Noon to 6 pm, RSVP Annette
- 10 Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm
- 13 Volunteer at Christmas House, RSVP to Linda M.

**January 2025**

- 7 Monthly Gathering, Speaker Ann Einboden (Friday Harbor) highlighting her trip to Antarctica, Everett's Firefighters Hall, "Breakfast for Dinner" potluck, food bank donations encouraged, 6:30 pm
- 14 Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm
- 18 Adopt a Street, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Meet at Henry M. Jackson Park, RSVP Danny or Claire
- 31 Seattle Boat Show begins



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**Adopt-A-Street  
 Clean up planned  
 January 18, 2025**

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

## You're Invited - Holiday Gathering



**Tuesday December 3, 6:00 pm**  
**Lower-level Banquet Room, Everett**

**Celebrate the holidays in a fun and festive way!**  
**Join us as we enjoy a delicious meal, festive atmosphere,**  
**and white elephant gift exchange**



**Buffet Menu:**

**London Broil**

**Cinnamon Dry Rub Salmon**

**Irish Whiskey Mac and Cheese**

**Fresh Seasonal Vegetable Medley**

**Mixed Green Salad**

**O'Donnell's Irish Soda Bread and Honey Butter**

**Christmas Themed Dessert**

**No-host Beverages**

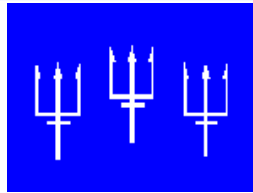
**To reserve a spot, please contact Darcy by November 27**

**[Commander.boatsnoco@gmail.com](mailto:Commander.boatsnoco@gmail.com)**

Payment of \$30 pp will be collected at the door

## FROM THE HELM

Commander Darcy Baker, AP



### Time to give thanks...

**W**ith the leaves flying and fall holidays upon us, it's time to recognize and celebrate this season's bounty. Our boating community shares many characteristics – not only love of time on the water, but also a desire for fellowship, education and connection to others.

On behalf of Everett Sail and Power Squadron, America's Boating Club of Snohomish County, I'm "GIVING THANKS" to each of you in the following ways:

Gratitude galore

Invitation to join us

Vibrant gatherings

Interesting discussions

Notable personalities

Greetings to new and existing members

Thanks to our volunteers

Happy times with friends

Another year of new possibilities

New education opportunities

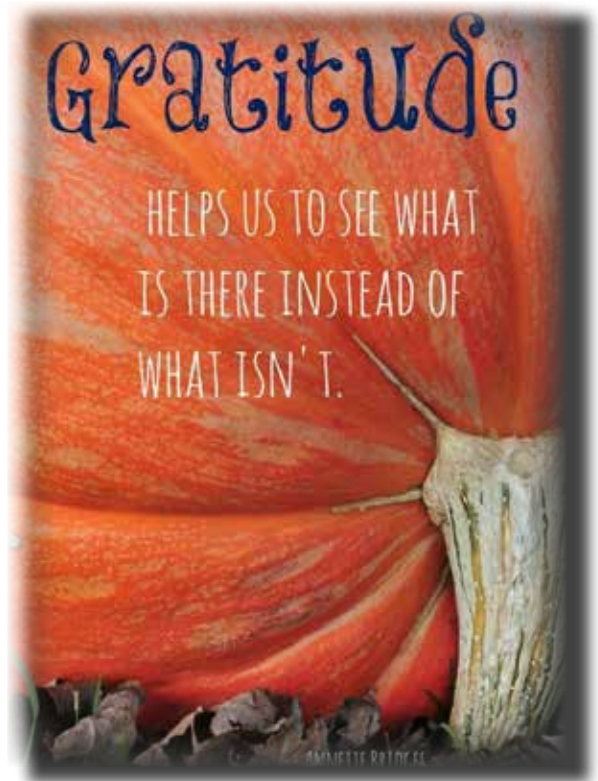
Kindness and an open mind

Something for everyone!

Join us at our Monthly Gathering where we will have some fun and a few surprises, along with a Thanksgiving themed potluck. Check out Nick, Susan and Brian's sections to get inspired to help out, come out and/or get educated. We are here to provide you with valuable information, connections and importantly, fun. All we need is you!

*With Gratitude,*

*Commander Darcy*



# EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Lt/C Nick Rich, AP



Greetings fellow mariners! Here are some updates for outreach/outings of the past month and coming up soon.

**Adopt-a-Street:** Our Fall clean-up for the Marine View Drive in Everett was Saturday, October 19th with the group meeting at 9:00 AM. This always is a fun and a rewarding way to give back to our community and if you missed this opportunity keep an eye on the calendar of events in *The Pike Pole* to hold your calendar for the next event. If you are interested in participating for some fun, exercise and good company, please contact/RSVP Danny or Claire.

### October weekend destination – Port Townsend:

Over the Weekend of October 5th and 6th, Cathy and I visited one of our favorite ports of call, Port Townsend. On this first weekend in October, the city celebrates with an interesting and creative competition, the annual Kinetic Sculpture Race.

We enjoyed watching as the human powered, artistically enhanced vehicles traversed the streets and hills of Port Townsend, then plunged into the chilly waters in a test of people and machine. As the photos attest, this proved to be a fun and enjoyable experience for our ultimate cruise of the season.

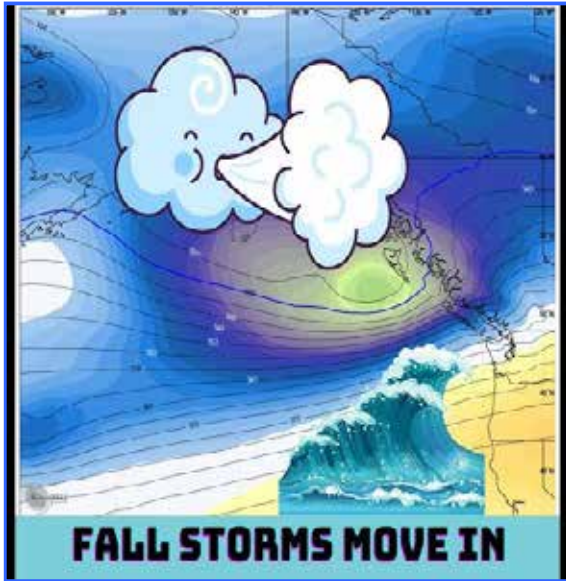
Read Nick's article on **Cold-Weather Boating: Staying Safe in Chilly Waters, Pages 10 and 11**

Kinetic Sculpture Race, Port Townsend, October 5 and 6



# ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Lt/C Susan Tarpley, AP



## “ANYTHING GOES...MIX IT UP”

As the duration of daylight becomes noticeably shorter, the temperature cools considerably, and the colors of the leaves become ever so golden, it’s conspicuous that we are transitioning from summer to fall. Autumn in our region brings a hodge-podge of conditions. It can bring breezy days, rain that varies from light showers to heavy downpours, possible T-storms with hail (such as what is occurring whilst I write this article!), sometimes intermittent sunbreaks, sometimes mostly cloudy skies, and sometimes warm, sunny, bluebird days. Essentially, the autumn weather here can be downright moody!

Following the mixed-up, unpredictable pattern of our fall weather, the November Monthly Gathering will be a crazy, unpredictable theme! There will be social time to connect with you all, our friends and fellow boaters. There’ll be a tasty potluck dinner\*. There will also be “ANYTHING GOES” time! Hmm... What is that???? Well, it will include some WA state lighthouse trivia; it’ll include an Improv skit; it ‘ll include some nautical charades; and it absolutely will include loads o’ fun!! -

### So...SAVE THE DATE!

Let’s enjoy each other’s company and have some autumnal celebrations together!

- **Date:** Wednesday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> (note date change). \*Potluck dinner - Bring seasonal/Thanksgiving-themed main dishes and sides to share.
- **Time:** 6:30pm
- **Place:** Everett Firefighters Hall. 2411 Hewitt Ave, Everett

I very much look forward to seeing you all!  
Susan

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#### Website:

<http://www.BoatClubSnoCo.org> aka  
<http://www.everettsailandpowersquadron.com>

**FRONT COVER:** Glen Sandvick, P took a photo of the fireboat "Chief Seattle" in Seattle's Elliott Bay. It was *on the front cover of the Ensign, May 1999*



### SAVE THE DATE!

**S**aturday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> is our Wine Tasting Rendezvous in Woodinville! What a great way to kick off the upcoming holiday season! Join us for comradery and sipping WA wine in the seasonal-happenin' place of Woodinville. We'll start in "The Warehouse District", a place where some of the magic of Washington's wines comes together. Meet at Sightglass Cellars (18808 142<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE, Suite 5B, Woodinville) at 3pm. Then, venture over to nearby Lobo Hills Winery (still within the Warehouse District). If time allows, we check out one or two more local tasting rooms before heading downtown for dinner. If you aren't able to or opt not to partake in the wine tasting part of the rendezvous, consider joining us for dinner at Big Fish Grill (13706 NE 175<sup>th</sup> St, #8516, Woodinville) at 6pm! This will be a fun afternoon-evening! Certainly hope you will join in on some, if not all, of this rendezvous! A head count for this activity is very important.... **Send your RSVP** to [activities.boatsnoco@gmail.com](mailto:activities.boatsnoco@gmail.com) by **Sunday Nov 9<sup>th</sup>**. Please indicate if you are joining 1) just the wine tasting; 2) just the dinner; or 3) both wine tasting and dinner. Cheers!

# EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

*Lt/C Brian Rachal, AP*



## **Fellow Boaters,**

**W**e're well into October, and I'm realizing that, while the boating season is typically over for me, for some this may be an ideal time to get out and go boating. This may still be a good time to do some fishing, and some folks may cherish the solitude of anchorages that aren't crammed with people. This time last year, we talked about boat maintenance, and I still think that's important. We all need to know a little about winterizing our boats and doing the annual things that keep our engines and other boat systems healthy. We have classes and seminars that we can present to help educate you on that.

For those that are continuing to get out on the water into the fall, or perhaps even year round, weather becomes something we should be more aware of. It's important to have a decent understanding year round, but in the summertime the temperatures are warm and the weather in the PNW is usually pretty fantastic. The Fall and Winter in the PNW can bring storms and prolonged weather that's not very conducive to having your boat out on the water. This is when it's very important to pay attention to the forecast, know how to read and understand it, and know how to read and react to the weather in real time. This requires a good understanding of what causes weather, and how it can impact your area. The weather class teaches you about high and low pressure systems, warm and cold fronts, and how those impact local weather. It even talks about severe weather systems like hurricanes, and the best actions to take if you end up near one. We're lucky that we really don't have to worry about hurricanes here in the PNW, but Helene and Milton are good reminders that there are parts of the country where you need to look out for them. And even though we don't get hurricanes here, we can get some nasty storms. So, if you haven't already taken it, or even if you have, consider reaching out to see if we can get enough students to justify setting up a weather class.

Finally, we've been struggling to get students into our ABC classes. We try to offer it at least twice a year, and we recently held the October class. It was small, but we had two people pass with flying colors (Geret and Sally). It was a good class and I think it highlights the value of the more detailed learning that comes from the in-person, real-time, instructor led class. Geret has been boating most of his life, so he's not an inexperienced boater. The class was a refresher for him, and it showed. But he still learned a few things of value, and he got to enjoy quality time with his wife Sally at the same time. If you know anyone getting into boating, or even experienced folks, please encourage them to get into some of our classes. If they have their Boater Education Card, they would still benefit from taking the Boat Handling Class. I think I already said that I took the class last year, four years after purchasing my boat and joining the Squadron, and I've taught the Marine Navigation class twice. The Boat Handling class was challenging, and the test was hard. There's a lot to learn there, including what to do if you do get caught in bad conditions, and how to avoid it. We had to cancel the Boat Handling class for the fall for lack of enough students, but we'll schedule it again for the Spring. Please consider it.

*Safe Cruising,*

*Brian*





Everett Sail and Power Squadron is



**2024 BOATING EDUCATIONAL SCHEDULE**

**AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE  
Spring of 2025**

ALL 8-HOUR ABC courses will be taught face-to-face, at THE BLUE HERON ROOM ABOVE THE EVERETT MARINA OFFICE. The course cost is \$60 per person. Register on the website under BOATING EDUCATION/AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE. RSVP Linda Martin 425-422-4721

**ADVANCED GRADES**

**BOAT HANDLING**

Spring of 2025

NEW MEMBERS \$0 (from recent ABC)  
\$85 FOR EXISTING MEMBERS  
\$120 NON-MEMBERS  
INSTRUCTOR: JOHN TARPLEY  
LOCATION: BLUE HERON ROOM @ PORT OF EVERETT  
TIME: 9:00 AM -4:00 PM  
RSVP Brian Rachal edu.boatsnoco@gmail.com

**SEMINARS**

Click the link to see upcoming [D-16 SEMINAR SCHEDULE](#)

GO TO [www.BOATCLUBSNOCO.ORG](http://www.BOATCLUBSNOCO.ORG)  
FOR MORE DETAILS AND LINK TO PAY



**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.

## Cold-Weather Boating: Staying Safe in Chilly Waters

Last month, we shared tips for preparing your vessel to endure the winter months for those of us who store their vessels for the season. This month's article is dedicated to those intrepid boaters who thrive on enjoyment of boating during our cold season in the Pacific NW. For the adventurous, cold-weather boating can offer solitude, beautiful winter landscapes, and less crowded waterways. However, it also comes with its own set of challenges. Cold-water boating demands extra preparation, knowledge, and respect for the elements. Here's what you need to know to stay safe and enjoy your time on the water during the colder months.

### Dress for Survival, Not Just Comfort

When boating in cold weather, it's critical to dress appropriately. Unlike summer boating, cold conditions require specialized clothing to ensure safety:

- **Layering:** Start with moisture-wicking base layers to keep sweat off your skin, followed by insulating layers to retain warmth, and a waterproof outer layer to block wind and water.
- **Avoid Cotton:** Cotton holds moisture and loses insulation properties when wet. Stick to materials like wool, fleece, or synthetics that retain heat even when damp.
- **PFDs:** Always wear a life jacket, ideally one designed for cold-weather use. These often include extra thermal protection, making them essential in preventing hypothermia if you fall overboard.

(Pro Tip): Consider investing in a survival suit or dry suit, which provides full-body thermal protection and is buoyant. These suits are essential for those boating in areas with frigid water temperatures.

### The Threat of Cold-Water Immersion

Falling into cold water can be deadly. Understanding the body's response to cold-water immersion can help boaters react effectively in an emergency:

- **Cold Shock Response:** Upon falling into cold water, your body may react with an involuntary gasp reflex, which can cause you to inhale water. This is often followed by hyperventilation and loss of muscle control.
- **Hypothermia:** Prolonged exposure to cold water reduces body temperature. Hypothermia can set in quickly and be fatal if not addressed promptly. It's important to know the signs: shivering, confusion, slurred speech, and loss of coordination.
- **The "1-10-1" Rule:** This survival rule is helpful for boaters: you have 1 minute to control your breathing after falling into cold water, 10 minutes of meaningful muscle use to self-rescue, and 1 hour before hypothermia becomes life-threatening.

(Pro Tip): Practice cold-water survival techniques with your crew so everyone knows what to do if someone goes overboard.

### Equipment and Vessel Preparation

Your boat and gear need to be up to the task of winter conditions. Here are key considerations:

- **Check the Weather:** In colder months, weather can be more unpredictable. Make sure you check multiple forecasts and be ready to alter plans if conditions look dangerous.
- **Battery Maintenance:** Cold temperatures can affect your boat's battery performance. Ensure your battery is fully charged and carry a backup if possible. [Continued on Page 11](#)

- **Fuel Management:** Engines may need longer warm-up times, and cold weather can affect fuel consumption, so plan for extra fuel to avoid running out on the water.

- **Partial Winterizing Your Boat:** Even when you're actively boating, partial winterization can help prevent damage. Flush your engine with antifreeze and check that bilge pumps are working efficiently to prevent freezing.

(Pro Tip): Carry a toolkit and extra supplies such as blankets, flares, emergency rations, and a portable heater for unexpected breakdowns.

### Know the Signs of Ice Formation

In regions prone to freezing, ice can be a serious hazard. Whether you're boating in a coastal area or an inland lake, knowing how to navigate around ice is crucial:

- **Spotting Ice Hazards:** Look for patches of smooth, glassy water, which may indicate thin layers of ice. If you notice ice forming on your vessel, it's a sign that temperatures are dangerously low.

- **Avoiding Ice:** Always maintain a safe distance from ice floes or edges, as they can damage your hull. In some cases, you may need to plan an alternate route or head back to shore sooner than planned.

(Pro Tip): Never break through ice with your boat. Even small impacts can cause significant damage and put your vessel at risk of sinking.

### Emergency Preparedness and Communication

Staying connected and prepared for emergencies is critical during cold-weather boating:

- **VHF Radio and GPS:** Ensure your VHF radio is working properly and keep it within easy reach. A GPS or chart plotter is equally important for tracking your position, especially in low visibility conditions.

- **File a Float Plan:** Always inform someone on shore of your route and expected return time. This simple step can save precious time in the event of an emergency.

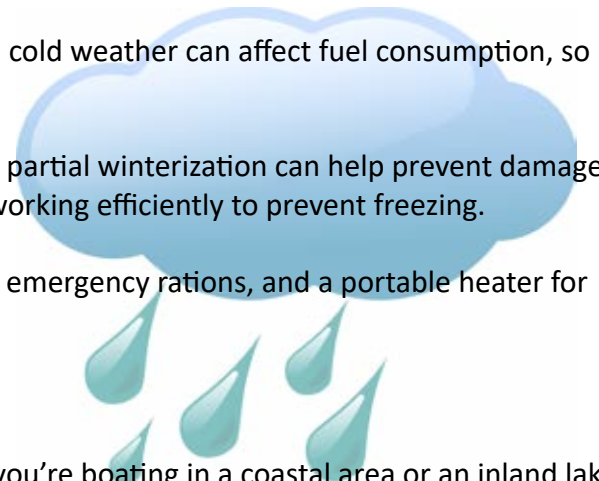
- **First Aid Kit and Emergency Blankets:** Pack a well-stocked first aid kit with items for treating cold exposure, such as thermal blankets and chemical heat packs. It's also a good idea to include extra food and water, as cold-weather conditions may delay rescue times.

(Pro Tip): Consider carrying a Personal Locator Beacon (PLB), which sends a distress signal to emergency responders via satellite if you're in trouble.

While cold-weather boating offers unique rewards, it also requires more thorough preparation and respect for the dangers that cold temperatures pose. By dressing appropriately, preparing your vessel, and understanding the risks of cold-water immersion, you can safely enjoy the tranquility and beauty that off-season boating brings.

I hope that you have had the opportunity to enjoy a great summer and fall as we have, and we look forward to sharing sea stories with all of you at our next meeting.

- Nick





## Countdown to Christmas House begins!

*Online registration available today.*

Volunteers are needed Nov. 29 - Dec. 22. We need hundreds of volunteers to help us make Christmas House a success each year. We invite you to join us in helping make Christmas a happy holiday for thousands of children. See details below, visit our website and choose a shift that fits your schedule.

Volunteer details . . .

**Signups:** Visit the volunteer webpage for details and use the Register tab in the black bar at the top of the website to sign up for one or more shifts. If registering for multiple shifts or more than one person, complete the process again for each person/time chosen. Volunteers must complete an entire shift.

**Ages:** All volunteers for all shifts must be age 16 or older.

**Abilities:** For all shifts, all volunteers must be able to lift and walk a lot; some will need to spend time outside.

**Food:** Water and snacks will be provided. Bring your own lunch.

**Health Check:** Please do not come to Christmas House if you are not feeling well, have recently had COVID, or have been near others who have tested positive. Masks are optional at this point, but if Health District guidelines change, our requirements will be adjusted accordingly, and you will be notified. View symptoms.

**Contact us early:** If you cannot come to your shift, please call us as soon as possible.  
Email [volunteer@christmas-house.org](mailto:volunteer@christmas-house.org) or call 206-963-5676.

A gift of your time is valuable in making Christmas House happen. We invite you to join us.

To register, visit our new webpage: [www.christmas-house.org/registration-2chlogo300dpi1x1.jpg](http://www.christmas-house.org/registration-2chlogo300dpi1x1.jpg)

Thanks for your continuing support!  
Christmas House Board of Directors

## BOATING SAFETY 4 KIDS REACHES ALMOST 200 KIDS

by Linda Martin, JN

"If the parents want to be MELLOW, dress the kids in YELLOW, Life Jackets that is," the new slogan from new helper Nancy Ringstad from the Tacoma Squadron. The Fall Festival at Fishermen's Terminal on Saturday, September 28 welcomed the America's Boating Clubs of Snohomish County, Everett, and Tacoma Squadron's to teach Boating Safety 4 Kids to 64 kids coming from 48 families. This is one of the seven events we did this year that reaches a lot of kids coming from boating families.

The helpers from Everett were Linda Martin, Brian Rachal, Danny Daniels and Claire Greer. The helpers from Tacoma were Larry and Jill Warren, Goeff and Nancy Ringstad and David and Paulette Sitzenstock.

Each kid with their parents learned about choosing a life jacket, how Puget Sound water feels and how hard it is to buckle a life jacket buckle and finally how to throw a line to someone who falls overboard. When they completed all three stations the family received a PFD Puzzle Storybook, and the child received a give away item.

I took some time the day after to see where we were in reaching the kids this year and who helped. We had Seven events, taught 191 kids, with 18 helpers from four squadrons in D-16. We had ten (10) helpers from Everett, six (6) from Tacoma, one from Seattle and one from Bellevue.

There are possibly two more events where we can reach the families in the Everett/Mill Creek area. The Holiday at the Bay at the Everett Marina and the Santa Parade in Mill Creek, both on the same day, December 7th. If you are interested in helping contact Linda Martin [PFDPrettyfancydude@yahoo.com](mailto:PFDPrettyfancydude@yahoo.com)





Educational Fund Honor Roll Update

# Everett October Honor Roll Status

Year	Honor Roll Target	Donation	Percent of Target	Status
2024	\$77	\$98	127.3%	Honor Roll
2023	\$83	\$112	134.9%	Honor Roll

## BIKE FUND AND CHRISTMAS HOUSE

by P/C Linda Martin, JN

October's collection for the Christmas House Bike Fund was fantastic.

Our total now is \$790.84! Our goal is \$2000. November is the last month to donate to the Bike Fund because we go shopping for Bikes on Black Friday or in early December when the good sales are on and the great discount, we get from Everett Mall Walmart Store each year. Please donate at the meeting or mail a check to Linda Martin, 13611-62<sup>nd</sup> Drive SE, Everett, WA 98208. She loves counting coins, if you have been saving coins, bring them in.

### The deadline is Thanksgiving.

On another Christmas topic, for the last 3-4 years a small group of dedicated members have volunteered at the Christmas House location. This year the Boat Clubs date to help is Friday, December 13 from 8am to 2pm approximately. They are actually looking for helpers' other dates Tuesday-Sunday December 5-21 if you can't come on the 13<sup>th</sup>. The location is the Everett Boys and Girls Club. The parents come to choose gifts for their children, and we assist them in that process or help on the computer. If you want to help, go to [www.christmas-house.org](http://www.christmas-house.org) to sign up, space is limited. In 2023, 8,230 children, newborns through age 18, from 2,940 families received gifts, toys, books and hats/gloves during December when Christmas House opened its "store" for two and one-half weeks in a gym at the Everett Boys & Girls Club in North Everett. We serve children from families who reside only within Snohomish County. The demand for our services is such that we are unable to expand outside the county at this time. Our families came from twenty cities, plus unincorporated Snohomish County. Over the years our organization has increased the quantity and quality of toys that help low-income families provide a

joyous Christmas for their children. This is all made possible through the generosity of hundreds of people that donate gifts/money and volunteer their services, time and talents.



One of the many bikes purchased



Bike Fund Volunteers and the Walmart Staff



Christmas House President, Gregg Milne

# November's QUIZ

by Claire Greer

## **Biography of a Marine Vessel. Named? \_\_\_\_\_**

Built by the firm of Randall, Gray & Brent at their shipyard at Rotherhithe, on the river Thames.

Length: 99'  
Beam: 28'  
Draft: 12'  
Launched: 1789.

Class/Type: Full-rigged 10 gun survey ship, sometimes described as a Sloop-of-war.

Accompanied by a 4 gun survey Brig named HMS Chatham, this vessel left England on 1st April 1791 on a mission to take possession of Nootka Sound and conduct surveys of the surrounding coasts and regions. While en route, King George Sound, part of what is now Western Australia, was formally claimed for Britain and some surveys were carried out there before heading for Hawaii and then for mostly as-yet uncharted territories on the eastern edge of the North Pacific Ocean. After extensive (and remarkably accurate) surveying and exploration of those regions and traveling 55,000 miles in 4 years and 8 months, the vessel returned to England in October 1795.

Refitted as a Bomb Vessel and participated in the battle of Copenhagen in 1801, and later that year in the unsuccessful Raid on Boulogne, led by Vice Admiral Lord Nelson.

From 1807 to 1815 served as a hospital ship, and then as a prison ship, moored at Woolwich and Deptford on the river Thames, until being decommissioned and broken up at Deptford in 1834.

Person most famously associated with this vessel? \_\_\_\_\_

Four mountains in the newly surveyed region were named after friends or colleagues of this vessel's Captain. They were?:

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_

*Answers on Page 20*





Vessel Safety Check Website



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



### Last Rendezvous of the Season

America's Boating Club of Snohomish County  
2024 Rendezvous Schedule  
Contact [Lt/C Susan Tarpley, AP](#)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Nov. 16	Woodinville Wine Tasting & Dinner

Enjoy the season of "crush"! Road trip to some outstanding WA wineries.

### Vessel Safety Check

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

Contacts are below:

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### Vessel Safety Exam 2025

Contact: [Lt Danny L.Daniels, AP](#) for details

Vessel Safety Checks begins again early 2025.

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.



<https://safeboatingcampaign.com/>

### Compass

Set a Course for Better Boating

### Marine VHF radios to display 4-digit numbers

To improve effectiveness in the use of the VHF maritime band, new Marine VHF radios will display four-digit channel numbers.



[Your Boating Tips](#)

### VSC... PERMISSION TO COME ABOARD!

by Lt Danny Daniels, AP

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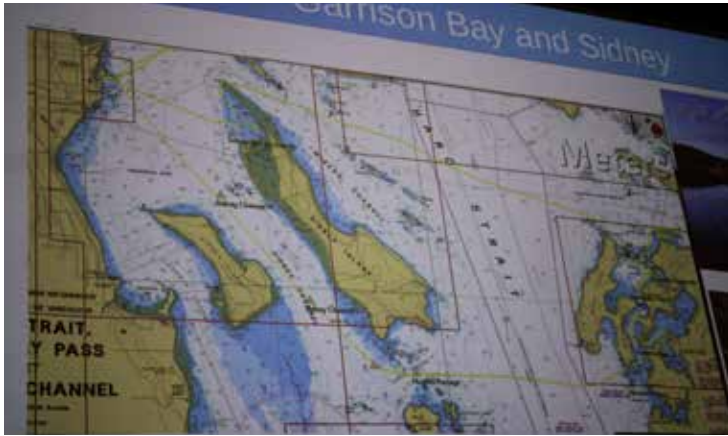
Can you do this ?? YES YOU CAN!! Just a simple Training Course and a brief test at the end, and you are ready to start checking vessels. Your first 5 vessels will be in the company of a currently certified Examiner; you will watch 2 VSChecks and then do 3 more on your own while being assisted. Then you 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.



# Rendezvous to Desolation Sound, October Gathering

Speakers: P/Lt/C Chuck Taylor, SN and Sarah Taylor

Photos by Lt Linda Skugstad, AP



Map of the route



Sarah and Chuck



Acting Commander, Lt/C Nick Rich, AP



A very interested crowd



Chuck and Sarah, (who said, I have something say)

The long distance cruise took place July 1 through July 31st, 2024. Vesselson the trip were M/V Seascape, Chuck and Sarah Taylor and M/V Hetki, Bob Savela and Linda Skugstad, with Linda's sister and her husband, Viggo and Grace Floisand from Calgary, Alberta, Canada.



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## Answers to the Quiz

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HMS DISCOVERY (1789).      Captain George Vancouver.

Born in Norfolk, England on 22 June 1757, died of Tuberculosis in Surrey, England, on 12 May 1798, at age 40.

Entered the Royal Navy in 1771 at the age of 13. As a Midshipman he sailed on Captain James Cook's second and third voyages to Australia, first aboard HMS Resolution (1772 to 1775), and then aboard HMS Discovery (not this one!) (1776 to 1780). Spent a number of years serving with the Navy in Jamaica and other parts of the Caribbean and surveyed Port Royal and Kingston.

In 1791 given command of a new purpose-built survey vessel, also called HMS Discovery, and accompanied by HMS Chatham set off on a mission to explore territories which are now Alaska, British Columbia, Washington and Oregon. On 4th June 1792 (which happened to be the 54th birthday of King George III) he landed at a spot which he named New Georgia in honor of the King's birthday and declared possession of the area for the British, naming it Possession Sound. On 4th June 1915 the Daughters of the American Revolution unveiled a large stone inlaid with a bronze plaque at Grand Avenue Park to commemorate the landing at what is now called Everett.

During the nearly five year long voyage he sustained good relations with the indigenous peoples encountered, and also with the Spanish; with whom there had been some initial dispute about possession of what is now Vancouver Island. The causes of scurvy were known about by then and he managed to keep occurrences among his crew very low, losing only 6 men on the entire voyage, largely due to accidents. The maps he made of the Pacific Northwest Coastal areas remained highly regarded for many years for their detail and accuracy in spite of the fact that most of his longitude calculations were eventually shown to be inaccurate by twenty to forty minutes, probably due to inaccuracy of the instruments available at that time rather than incompetence by their users. Many parts of the PNW have names which were given by Captain Vancouver in honor of people he knew.

Mountains were named for:

- 1 Joseph BAKER, Discovery's 3rd Lieutenant, who was the first to spot it.
- 2 Vancouver's friend: Alleyne Fitzherbert, 1st Baron St. HELENS.
- 3 another friend: Rear Admiral Peter RAINIER.
- 4 British Admiral, Samuel HOOD, 1st Viscount HOOD.



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