

PENINSULA WILDERNESS CLUB



May 1990

PWC meets on the second Monday of every month at 7:30 PM at the Kitsap Unitarian Fellowship Church on Perry Avenue in East Bremerton. The Public is cordially invited.



Next Meeting

The entertainment for the May 14th PWC meeting will be provided by Carson Hollingsworth. Carson, a math teacher at Olympic College, will be giving a slide

presentation on a solo kayaking trip to the Queen Charlotte Islands he took during the summer of 1988. Also, a variety of kayaks and kayaking equipment will be on display. Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about the popular sport of kayaking.

Upcoming Activities

Green Mountain Trail Restoration

Tuesday May 8th (and May 9th if needed): Doug Savage will need some help to restore the overgrown trail to the Green Mountain rock climbing site. The maintenance work will consist mainly of cutting back the underbrush which has grown over the trail. Since this trail is so close by, Doug plans to meet at the trailhead after work about 5:30 PM. If you can give Doug a hand on this worthwhile project, please give him a call at 479-8460.

In Search of the Calypso

Saturday May 12th: Don Paulson will be taking an easy day hike in the Dungeness River area of the Olympics in search of the rare Calypso Orchid. This will be a leisurely trip suitable for beginners with plenty of time for wildflower identification and photography. If interested give Don a call at 692-5086.

Rock Climbing Instruction

Saturday June 9th: Dale Boyle will be offering free rock climbing instruction to PWC members. The class will take place on Green Mountain. Call Dale at 698-9820 for more information.



Mt. Olympus Climb

Saturday June 30 to July 4th: Doug Savage will be making a climb of all three summits of Mount Olympus. PWC members who are experienced in the ways of mountaineering are welcome to join on the climb. Call Doug at 479-8460.

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Mt. St. Helens Climb

Saturday June 2nd: Doug Savage will be climbing Mount St. Helens. Club Members knowledgeable in ice axe arrest methods are welcome to join the climb. If interested in making this unique climb, contact Doug at 479-8460.

Garrison Springs Lodge

Friday June 8th - 10th: There will be a club outing to Garrison Springs Lodge north of Ellensburg. The

lodge consists of three private chalets and a bunk house in the main lodge. Inn-Keeper Jennifer Stein prepares the meals. In warm weather, vegetarian stir-fries or barbecue poultry and fish are prepared outdoors. The wildflowers will be at their peak (over 160 species nearby) and the mountain biking opportunities are endless.

Lodging ranges from \$10.00 to \$17.50 a night depending on the accommodations you choose. Breakfast is \$6.50, lunch \$6.00, and dinner \$12.50. If interested, please call Don Paulson at 692-5086 before May 11th.

Shi Shi Beach Hike

Friday June 22nd-24th: Lynn Howat is taking a hiking trip to Shi Shi Beach. This will be a great trip for kids and is timed to coincide with low tides for tide pool exploration. Lynn will be leaving Friday evening. Club members interested in joining Lynn on this great beach hike should give her a call at 598-3087 (Suquamish).

SIERRA CLUB OUTINGS. PWC members welcome if space available.

Clean-up at Shi Shi

Saturday May 19th: Join the Twanoh Group of the Sierra Club in its annual clean-up of Shi Shi Wilderness Beach in Olympic National Park. Help make this beautiful beach clean. Spend Friday night at Lake

Ozette Campground or join the group by 8:30 AM Saturday for one day or an overnight on the beach.

Campground fees waived for cleanup participants. Garbage bags will be provided by the National Park Service.

Contact Harry Wilson, 479-1322, for more information.

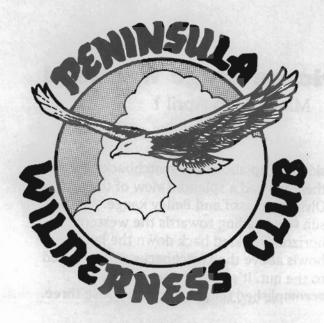
Boulder Falls Hike

Saturday May 12th: Day hike to Boulder Falls, 9 Miles round trip including 2 miles on old road to Olympic Hot Springs and 2.5 miles on Appleton Pass Trail. Easy grade. Call Murray at 842-4213.

Kayak Discovery Bay

Saturday May 19th: Beginning kayaking at Discovery Bay. Includes instruction and all kayaking gear. Offered through Strait and Narrow Kayak Tripping of Pt. Angeles. Maximum group size is seven. \$30/person in advance - no refunds. Experienced kayakers with own gear welcome. Currently two spaces left. Call Jill Wyatt at 373-6348 if interested.

The advantage of being disorderly is the excitement of discovery



Logo Polished Up

Our club logo recently took on a polished look when the club voted to employ the services of a professional illustrator. The lettering and art work was re-drawn but the basic design of the original logo was retained. We now have a "camera ready" original suitable for producing t-shirts, sew-on patches, and printed materials such as pamphlets or flyers. At the last meeting several members expressed an interest in purchasing club t-shirts. We will be making an order for some t-shirts and would like to hear your ideas or suggestions at the next meeting.

Name the Newsletter Contest

The vote for best newsletter name will be held at this month's meeting. The person who submits the name with the most votes will win a laminated pictorial map of Puget Sound donated by noted cartographer and geologist, Dee Molenaar, plus a \$25.00 Mount Constance Mountain Shoppe gift certificate. You may submit your ideas at the meeting or before the meeting by calling Don Paulson at 692-5086. So far the

names suggested are:

OUTBOUND
WILDERNESS WAYS
WILDERNESS WONDERINGS
FOG SIDE
PENWICLE
PATHFINDER (this is the name used for the Volks Marchers newsletter).

New Club Members

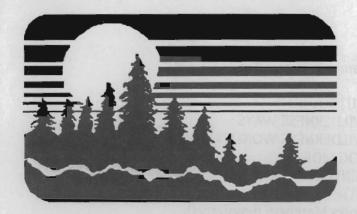
The club membership extends a hearty welcome to Ed and Sylvia Book, Sarah Armstrong, and Tom Timmons. All decided to join the club at last month's meeting.

For those who are interested in our club, join us at the next monthly meeting. Dues are \$12.00 a year per household or family. Membership entitles you to our monthly newsletter, a 10% discount at the Mount Constance Mountain Shoppe, and a shot at a great door prize each month.

Door Prize Winner

Victor Bolon was the lucky winner of last month's door prize. Lucky indeed! He won a complete set of Custom Correct topographic maps of the Olympics, plus the latest edition of Robert L. Wood's book, Olympic Mountains Trail Guide. The door prize is donated each month by the Mount Constance Mountain Shoppe. Thank you Judd for the most generous gift and congratulations Victor.





Hurricane Ridge Weekend

March 31 to April 1

I have always wanted to spend a winter weekend camped out on Hurricane Ridge. Olympic National Park is especially beautiful in the winter. So when my friend Jim called to invite me along for a weekend at Waterhole, I eagerly accepted.

Skip, Sharon, and Jim picked me up early Saturday morning and we blasted off for Port Angeles. After a delicious IT'S GREEK TO ME breakfast we continued on up to Hurricane Ridge Lodge. Having checked in with the ranger and picked up a portable radio, we started the first leg of our four mile journey. (Sharon, Skip, and Jim are Olympic Mountain Rescue members; guess who carried the radio)

Our first "ski break" came when we arrived at Steeple Rock. We tossed off the packs, climbed to the base of the rock, and skied down through the meadows. We did this several more times just to loosen up the "quads". After exchanging greetings with several PWC'ers who were lunching on the summit, we shouldered our packs once more and started the last pitch to Waterhole.

The hut at Waterhole was a welcome sight even though the accommodations were austere (wood stove, broom, axe, several pots, and emergency supplies cache). The place had only enough room for four very good friends. We rested a while and then skied on up above the switchbacks. From there we had a splendid view of the Olympus massif and Bailey Range. As the sun was heading towards the western horizon we skied back down the large bowls above the switchbacks and returned to the hut. It's a real treat to ski with accomplished telemarkers like those three.

As daylight slipped away, I realized why everyone else's packs were so large in comparison to mine. Jim was busy making individual chocolate mousse for his guests; Sharon was "sharin" her large bag of pistachios with the crew; Skip was busy keeping the long stemmed wine glasses filled with Foster's; and I was melting snow and filling water bottles. As we sat down to meals ranging from glop to gourmet, Jim produced a liter of wine to complement this wonderful repast.

Conversation seemed to center around back country skiing (Elfin Hut, Eagle Cap Wilderness, Methow, Fisher vs. Tua, McHale Packs...) as we finished the main course and attacked the chocolate mousse. Soon the lanterns were burning out one by one and Sharon passed around the W.T. to cap a perfect evening. I think the feathers were still attached to that which I had.

Sunday morning broke beautifully and we headed for Eagle Peak. We were able to ski almost to the summit before bare ground forced us to proceed sans skis. We opted to ski the large bowls south of Eagle Peak since it would have to be a short day. Blisters and other maladies took a toll on our group so while Jim and I shredded the

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bowl, Skip and Sharon skied back to Waterhole. We too returned to the hut to find that Skip and Sharon had cleaned up the place and were waiting for us to pack up. The trip out was not as upbeat as the trip in. What the heck, we were heading for civilization.

On our way through Port Angeles, we stopped at the Plush Pup for burgers, fries, and milkshakes. We would recommend this place to those who patronize locally owned, non-corporate fast food restaurants or seek a break from the golden arches.

"Five Star Weekend start to finish"

Jay Dee Manalle Jawell



New Group to Watch over Puget Sound

Puget Sound has a new set of watchful eyes. Formed in March, SOUNDWATCH is a network of volunteers monitoring the water quality of the entire Puget Sound and setting up educational programs. SOUNDWATCH representative John Ballentine tells me that the new group plans to take a positive approach to the pollution issue, stressing what can done rather than what is being done to us. A network of volunteers is needed. For more information, call John at 895-2677.

Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge Earth Day Clean-up

Many thanks to the 20 or so members and non-members who participated in our Earth Day clean-up of Dungeness Spit. Luckily, despite threatening skies and occasional sprinkles, the weather was surprisingly pleasant. We were joined by a large group from the Sierra Club and were able to give the spit a thorough cleaning. Some parts of the Refuge, such as Graveyard Spit saw their first trash pickup in years. Summertime visitors to the Refuge will now be able to enjoy clean uncluttered beaches and sand dunes.

THANES!

Doug Vaught

Interested Members Meeting

Joe and Kathy Weigel will be hosting this month's interested members meeting at their home in the Port Orchard area. The meeting will be at 7 PM Wednesday, May 23rd. Interested PWC members are encouraged to come. Upcoming events and trips will be planned. For those who need directions, Joe or Kathy will have maps available at the May meeting or you can call Joe or Kathy at 871-0291.

Smokie the Bear and Alexander the Great have the same middle name!

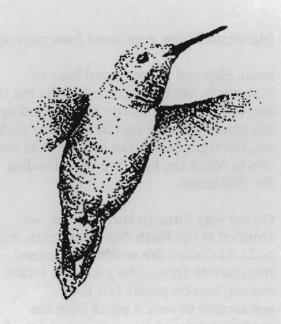
FOR SALE

Nordica cross country ski boots (3-pin binding) woman's size 9. \$20.00

Four Bridgestone radial tires 145 SR 13. Less than 6000 miles. 110.00 or best offer.

Concept car AM/FM stereo tape deck w/speakers (came out of Toyota). \$70.00 or best offer.

Jill Wyatt, 373-6348.



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