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## Peninsula Wilderness Club Events

**March 1993**

Peninsula Wilderness Club 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.

### **M**eeting **March 8th**

#### **Foot Care for Backpackers**

Dr. David Genuit, Podiatrist, will give a slide presentation and host a question and answer period on the subject of foot care. Frost bite, boot selection, climbing injuries, and how to avoid meeting Mr. Blister will be topics of discussion. Hope to see you there!

### **Upcoming PWC Events**

#### **13th Annual Igloo Outing**

WEEKEND OF MAR 6TH & 7TH; Join in on this PWC tradition of building igloos or snow caves at Paradise, Mount Rainier. You can stay for the day or spend the night in your creation. Great family fun. PWC point of contact is Joe Weigel at 871-0291.

#### **Ski Mt. Ellinor Road**

SUNDAY, MAR 14TH: Join Doug Savage for an intermediate level ski trip on the Mt. Ellinor road. Great views of Mt. Ellinor and Mt. Washington. Call Doug at 698-9774.



#### **Ski Crystal Mountain**

FRIDAY, MAR 19TH: Join John Knott for a day of downhill or telemark skiing at Crystal Mountain Ski Resort (\$16 lift ticket day). Call John at 373-5372.

#### **Boulder Creek Camp out**

WEEKEND OF MAR 20TH & 21ST; Join Mike Gardzalla for an easy two mile backpack into Boulder Creek Campground near Olympic Hot Springs. This is a great place to camp and soak in the hot springs. Call Mike at 479-1276.

#### **Snow Camp at Ptarmigan Ridge**

WEEKEND OF MAR 27TH & 28TH; Join Brian Steely for some spectacular cross-country skiing and snow camping in the Mt. Baker Wilderness. This will be an intermediate/advanced level ski trip starting from the Mt. Baker Ski area and skiing about 4 miles to Ptarmigan Ridge. The ridge offers breathtaking views of Mt. Baker and Mt. Shuksan. Call Brian at 373-6494.

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## PWC Events (Continued)

### Trail Maintenance Class

SATURDAY, APR 3RD; In preparation for more PWC organized trail maintenance outings (see Barnes Creek Cleanup this page), the Park Service will sponsor a short class necessary to be certified for chainsaw use within the Park. PWC point of contact is Doug Savage, 698-9774.

### Griff Creek Hike

SATURDAY, APR 10TH; Join Doug Savage for an interesting day hike on the Griff Creek Trail. This trail leaves from the Elwha Ranger Station and climbs 2900 feet in 2.8 miles to view points overlooking the Elwha valley and beyond. Call Doug at 698-9774 if interested.

### Ice Axe Class on Mt. Ellinor

SATURDAY, APR 17TH: Climb Mt. Ellinor and learn ice axe arrest and basic snow travel techniques. Call Doug Savage at 698-9774.

### Grand Canyon Backpack

APR 24TH - MAY 2ND; Join Dave Cossa for seven days of backpacking in the Grand Canyon; down to the river via the Tanner Trail and out of the canyon via Grand View Trail. With only 15 miles of hiking, there will be plenty of opportunity for explorations. Call Dave at 871-5577.

### Dungeness Spit Cleanup

SUNDAY, APR 25TH; To do our part for Earth Day 1993, PWC, in conjunction with the Sierra Club, will be doing a cleanup of Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge in Sequim. Bring a lunch and rain gear. PWC point of contact is Harry Wilson, 479-1322.

### Canoe Winchester Wasteway

Sometime in mid May, Roger Gray is planning an overnight canoe trip on the Winchester Wasteway in central Washington near Moses Lake. This is a wildlife refuge with flocks of birds, muskrats, coyotes, and other wildlife. Call Roger at 373-6642 if interested in going along.

### Barnes Creek Cleanup

On Memorial Day weekend, PWC will be doing another round of trail maintenance on the Barnes Creek Trail near Lake Crescent. Volunteers may come for just the day or may backpack in for work further up the trail. PWC point of contact is Doug Savage, 698-9774.



### Climb Mt. St. Helens

SATURDAY, JUNE 12TH; Doug Savage will be doing his annual climb of Mt. St. Helens. PWCers with basic snow travel skills are welcome (limit of 12 people). Call Doug at 698-9774 to reserve your spot.

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### **Backpack Across the Olympics**

WEEK OF JULY 17TH - 25TH; Join Doug Savage for a five day backpack starting on the West Fork of the Dosewallips and ending at Staircase, via LaCrosse Pass. A climb of Mt. Anderson is also being considered. Party size is limited to 6 PWCrs. Call Doug Savage at 698-9774 if interested.

### **Canoe the Nation River**

Roger Gray is planning a canoe or kayak trip of the Nation River in central British Columbia during the last two weeks in July. This will be about 90 miles of Class 1+ water including four lakes with no serious portages. The trip will consist of two days of driving each way and ten days of paddling through mostly wilderness areas. Should be good fishing. Call Roger at 373-6642 if interested in going along.

### **Columbia Ice Fields Trip**

LATE JULY; Dave Cossa will be going on a climbing expedition in the Columbia Ice Fields of British Columbia. Climb Mt. Columbia and 12,500 foot Mt. Bryce. PWCrs with mountaineering experience are welcome. Call Dave at 871-5577.

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### **Interested Member's Meeting**

This month's interested member's meeting will be held at Doug Savage's home near Illahee. The meeting will be March 15th at 7:00 PM. Upcoming PWC trips and events will be planned. All PWCrs are welcome. Call Doug at 698-9774 for driving directions.

### **Congratulations Brian**

The February door prize, a set of Patagonia Poly-pew longies, went to PWC'r Brian Steely. The door prize is donated each month by the Mount Constance Mountain Shoppe.

### **Ski to Sea Team to Form**

Gail Dionne is interested in forming a team of PWC members to compete in the Ski to Sea race from Mt. Baker Ski Area to Bellingham Bay. The race involves a cross-country skier, downhill skier, runner, mountain biker, bicyclist, canoe team, and a sea kayaker. A separate person is needed for each category. We could put together a competitive team, or a group of folks who just want to have fun. The race is Memorial Day weekend. Please call Gail at 692-4471 if you are interested.

### **Intermediate Mountaineering Class offered**

This year during the summer there will be an intermediate level mountaineering class offered through Olympic College. The class will most likely include climbs of Mt. Rainier, Mt. Constance, and Mt. Stuart. Call Dave Cossa at 871-5577 for more information.

### **Winterfest Huge Success!**

"Dust on crust" and cobalt blue skies made sweet skiing for 30+ PWCrs at last month's Annual PWC Winterfest. It was games and conversation in the fireplace room of the Longmire Lodge each evening and great skiing each day. Maybe we'll reserve the entire lodge for next year's Winterfest!

## — For Sale —

Touring XC skis, 180 cm, Trak, no wax, 3 pin bindings, \$45. Exel Poles, 130 cm, \$15. Kelty external frame backpack, exterior pockets, good for petite woman or child, \$30. Gortex Jacket, North Face, red, woman's petite, excellent condition, \$75. Holofill Sleeping bag. Call Alyce Daniels at 876-8803.

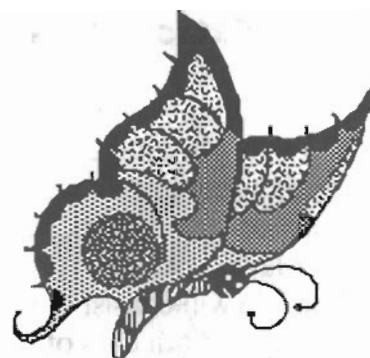
## **The Enchanted Labyrinth**

*From Edwin Teale "Circle of the Seasons"*

It occurred to me today that an interest in nature leads you into a kind of enchanted labyrinth. You wander from corridor to corridor; one interest leads to another interest; one discovery to another discovery. It matters little where you begin. You may

first fall under the spell of birds or wild flowers or you may become curious about lichens or grasshoppers or trees or rocks or fossils or waterweeds. If you any inquisitiveness at all, you soon find yourself branching off, wandering enchanted down charming bypaths.

Everywhere we turn in nature, new and interesting corridors appear before us, waiting to be explored. All are inter-connecting. They lead us as far as we care to go.



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