

PENWICLE

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.

September 1998

Monday Meeting

September 14th

Mushing Along the Iditarod Route

Jerry Reid will present a slide show on his Iditarod Trail experience. Jerry traveled the famous Alaskan dog sled route with Joe Reddington, "The Father of the Iditarod" in March of 1994 (one day after the race began). Reddington has traversed the route twenty-three times. The two spent twenty-three days gliding along the 1100 frozen miles with their dependable canines, while temperatures sunk as low as 34 degrees below zero.



October Elections

Nominations for PWC officers will be held at the September Monday meeting in preparation for the October elections. Positions to be filled include President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you have questions, contact Steve Vittori at 377-1869.



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September Outings

MT. JUPITER DAY HIKE

Thursday, September 3rd

Contact: Ron & Laura Croft (779-6250)

This is a strenuous 14 mile round trip hike with 3600' of elevation gain, which can prove dry and hot. But—the trail has many outstanding views along the way to reward hikers who don't wish to push all the way to the summit.

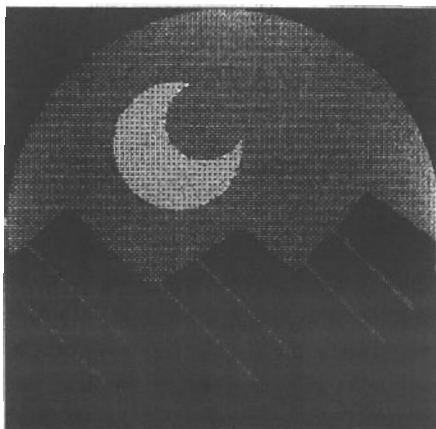
In the event that the trail to Mt. Jupiter is closed, the group will head to Marmot Pass: Follow the Big Quilcene River trail, from its beginning in old growth forest to the outstanding vistas from Marmot Pass. The trip is about 10 miles total with 3500 feet of elevation gain.

MOONLIGHT HIKE ON MT. TOWNSEND

Friday, September 4th

Contact: Linda Luchow (765-3576)

Take an enchanting hike up Mt. Townsend under the radiant glow of a near full moon. The hike is about 4 miles with a bit less than 3000 feet of elevation gain. Hikers will leave the Quilcene ranger station at 7:00 pm.



CANYON CREEK TRAIL

Saturday, September 5th

Contact: Steve Vittori (377-1869)

Join Steve for this hike on Canyon Creek Trail to Deer Lake via Soleduck Falls. After the 6 miles and 1500 feet of elevation gain, hikers can enjoy a relaxing soak in the hot springs.

MTTA WORK PARTY & BBQ

Saturday, September 19th

Contact: Tony Abruzzo (377-5103)

Volunteers are being sought to join a work party in hauling fire wood and doing trail maintenance on the Mt. Tahoma Trail system near Mt. Rainier. A barbecue dinner will be provided at the end of the day. Spend the night at the hut and enjoy Sunday riding your mountain bike or hiking the surrounding trails. MTTA work parties are held on the third weekend of the month, July thru September.



NISQUALLY DELTA

Saturday, September 19th

Contact: Diana Cripe (895-4299)

Join Diana for this flat, 5 mile walk along the wetlands and levees of the Nisqually Wildlife Preserve. The trails are suitable for all fitness levels and age groups. The birds, vegetation, and marine life are interesting entertainment along the way.

September Outings (continued)

MT. MULLER TRAIL

Saturday, September 19th

Contact: Jill Priest (871-7184)

The Mt. Muller Trail near Lake Crescent affords stunning views of the lake, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and the interior of the Olympics. It is 13 miles round trip with 2300 feet of elevation gain.

MT. SKOKOMISH CLIMB

Weekend of September 19th and 20th

Contact: Tom Banks (697-7708)

Join Tom Banks for a climb of Mt Skokomish. Adventurers will spend the night enjoying the unsurpassed beauty at Lake of the Angels. The climb is an easy scramble.

JEFFERSON RIDGE DAY HIKE

Saturday, September 26th

Contact: Steve Vittori (377-1869)

The Jefferson Ridge Trail is 2.8 miles with 2700 feet of elevation. The vantage from the top rewards hikers with views of surrounding peaks and Hood Canal.

ROCK CLIMBING

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Weekend of October 3rd & 4th

Contact: Tony Abruzzo (377-5103)

Join Tony for the annual Oktoberfest rock climbing outing to Peshastin Pinnacles near Leavenworth. Members of all skill levels will enjoy the climbing opportunities during the day and the festive atmosphere among friends during the evening. Bring rock climbing shoes. (They can be rented.) More experienced climbers will provide ropes and friendly guidance. Contact Tony for more details and to arrange camping accommodations.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Saturday, September 26th

Contact: Tom Lenahan (697-6167)

Bring your mountain or cross bike and enjoy a day of pedaling through the wooded areas near Tom Lenahan's home outside Poulsbo. The length of the outing depends on the hardiness of the riders.



WEEKEND AT ROYAL BASIN

Weekend of September 26th & 27th

Contact: Ron and Laura Croft (779-6250)

Ron and Laura are planning to spend the weekend enjoying the high country beauty of Royal Basin. The 7 mile (3000 feet of elevation) trek to the basin passes through various types of forest and vegetation and is accompanied by interesting views of surrounding peaks including the Needles, Graywolf Ridge, Mt. Deception, and Mt Fricaba.



Annual Mt. Tahoma Trails Association Gala

Friday - November 6th

5:30 pm to 10:00 pm

South Park Community Center

4851 South Tacoma Way

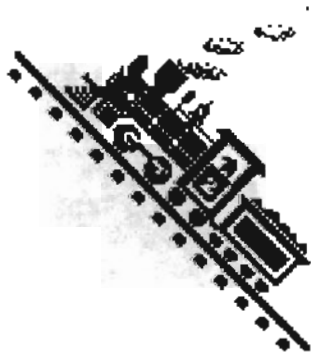
Mt. Tahoma Trails Association will hold its annual fundraiser and hut reservation event on Friday, November 6th beginning at 5:30 pm at the South Park Community Center in Tacoma. For more information, call Tony Abruzzo at 377-5103.

Whitefish Ski Extravaganza

March 3rd through March 8th

Contact: Pat Gleason (373-2131)

Pat Gleason is organizing a 1999 Whitefish ski outing. PWCers will catch the Amtrak in the early evening of March 3rd at Edmonds and travel via sleeper car to beautiful Whitefish, Montana. The package includes three nights accommodations at the newly remodeled AlpenGlow Motel. Skiers can enjoy four days on the slopes, boarding for the return trip the evening of March 7th. Three days lift tickets and transportation to and from the train depot are included. Big Mountain has recently lit their cross-country course, so skiers can enjoy gliding through the winter wonderland along moonlit trails.



The price is \$361 per person (based on four person occupancy and 25 participants), \$386 per person (based on four person occupancy but less than 25 participants). For those not requiring lift tickets, deduct \$105 from the price. A nominal deposit will be required to reserve your spot.

This has been a very popular outing in the past, with PWCers giving rave reviews to the quality winter recreation and telling tall tales of the fun and camaraderie on the train and on the slopes.

Things to Share

Questions in an Alpine Meadow

How rare is this pure, blazing day!

From what wild catalog were all these colors
ripped?

Magenta, purple, school bus yellow,
saffron, blood red, cobalt blue,
white, pink, violet, pale green, orange,
each in its perfect place

And how could we have ever thought
of doing something else today?

Why were just we picked to see this,
when others on the plain below
go glumly in the fog and clutch at trifles?

Why do we bother taking pictures
that can't show them what we saw?

How long would it take us to explore
a hundred-acre jewel box, inch by inch?

And how could it already be
late July and three o'clock?

If this is good, and life so easy here,
why do we try to hold back tears of joy?

Kevin Kilbridge
7/24/98



For Sale: Almost new EddyLine kayak,
white. Price and accessories negotiable.
Call Tom at 871-0117

BEAR ACTIVITY FORCES CLOSURES

(The following information is from Olympic National Park and provided by Pack & Paddle Magazine on August 5th. Please check with the park for more recent information. Sol Duc Ranger Station: (360)327-3534.)

The Sol Duc backcountry has been closed to camping until further notice. The closed areas include:

- ◊ all Seven Lakes Basin campsites
- ◊ all High Divide campsites
- ◊ Heart Lake
- ◊ The Potholes
- ◊ Cat Basin
- ◊ northwest portion of the Bailey Range south to Seven Bull Basin

Backpackers may camp at Lunch Lake and Sol Duc Park but are required to store all food and food-scented articles in the metal cache boxes available at the ranger stations.

Camping is still allowed at Deer Lake but all food must be properly hung from bear wires.

Campers who possess and use bear-resistant (not raccoon-resistant) food canisters will be permitted to camp within the closed areas.

The most recent bear incidents have involved a bear eating campers' food at Cat Peak on August 1st, near Mt. Carrie on August 2nd, and at Heart Lake on August 3rd. Damage to a backpack occurred during one of the incidents. It is not known whether the same bear is involved in all incidents.

Recent New Members

The PWC welcomes the following new members for the month of August: Loris Hudson, Diana Mowe, Douglas and Diklawan Palmer, Don Shook, and Sheri Somers.

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH:

Raisin Walnut Squares

by Al Chan

- 3/4 C walnuts
- 1 C raisins
- 1 1/2 C flour
- 1 egg
- 1/4 C brown sugar
- 1/4 C margarine

1. Mix margarine, flour, brown sugar, and walnuts in food processor.
2. Add raisins and egg.
3. Put mixture in a 9" x 9" pan.
4. Bake at 325 degrees F for 25 minutes.
5. Cut into squares while hot.



Newsletter Folding...

A small group of PWCers meet to prepare the newsletter for mailing. Call Teresa Sayers at 895-8769 for specific location and time if you would like to help.

Club Discounts

PWC members enjoy a 10% discount at Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe and at the Ajax Cafe!

OFFICERS & STAFF

President:	Steve Vittori	377-1869
Vice Pres:	Tom Banks	697-7708
Secretary:	Kathy Weigel	871-0291
Treasurer:	Kevin Kilbridge	871-2537
Entertainment:	Joe Weigel	871-0291
Refreshments:	Dawn Vokali	377-5103
Clean-Up:	Diana Cripe	895-4299
New Members:	Bert Cripe	895-4299
Scrap Book:	Kathy Ryan	876-9672
Climbing	Craig Martin	275-6915
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Editor	Bert Cripe	895-4299
Assembling:	Joyce Kimmel	876-1497
	Teresa Sayers	895-8769

Last Month's Door Prize. Bert Cripe won the August door prize, several pair of socks. The monthly door prize is donated by Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe. All members can enter at the Monday night meeting.

MEETINGS

Interested Members Meeting:

Thursday, Sept 17th, 7:00 p.m.

Irma O'Brien will host this month's Interested Members Meeting at her home in Suquamish. Combine socializing with club business and trip planning. This is a great chance to get to know members one-on-one. Call Irma at (360)598-4495 for directions. Please carpool as much as possible.

Potluck Social:

Currently there is no September potluck planned. However, if a member would like to host the Sept. 25th event, they can contact Steve Vittori at 377-1869 and have it announced at the September Monday Meeting.

PWC Climbers Group

Last Monday of each Month.

A group of PWC climbers meets for the purpose of planning climbing and mountaineering excursions, exchanging information on technical gear and safety techniques, and general socializing and networking. All PWCers are welcome. The meeting is at 6:30 pm on the balcony of the Silver City Brewing Company in Silverdale. Contact: Craig Martin (275-6915), Jim Morrison (638-2705) or Tom Banks (697-7708).

Newsletter Contributions:

Send articles, trip reports, stories, announcements, etc to:

Bert Cripe, 2398 Jefferson Ave. SE, Port Orchard, WA 98366; e-mail; or phone 895-4299.

To Change your Address or Phone Number:

Notify Jim Luddon, 165 NW Alta Drive; Bremerton, WA 98310, or by e-mail: jimluddon@silverlink.net



How to Join the PWC:

Membership is open to anyone interested in muscle-powered outdoor sports. Dues are \$18.00 per household per year. Send a check or money order to the return address shown below. PWC members get a 10% discount at Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe and at The Ajax Cafe.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____



Members' E-Mail List!

Members may submit their E-mail address to: bcripe@kendaco.telebyte.com and receive the latest e-mail list back and updates as needed.

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