

# PENWICKE

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.

## February 2000

*Monday Meeting*

*February 14th*

### Three Years in a 12-Foot Boat

Stephen Ladd spent three years designing and building his 12-foot boat, *Squeak*, and another three years on a 15,000 mile solo expedition with her. Ladd, a Bremerton native, will talk about and sign copies of his book recounting the adventure, *Three Years in a 12-Foot Boat*. He rowed, sailed, ferried, and carried *Squeak* down the Mississippi River...to the ports of Panama...along the Columbian coast...over the Andes...and down the rivers of South America. Don't miss his tales from this magnificent journey.

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### Winterfest 2000

February 19th thru 21st

Inn of Packwood website:

[www.innofpackwood.com](http://www.innofpackwood.com)

It's time for the annual Winterfest. Check with the Inn of Packwood for available reservations. Members can downhill ski at nearby White Pass or cross-country ski or snowshoe. The Inn has a few rooms that accommodate larger groups. It also has a heated indoor pool.

**Telemarking classes:** Dale Boyle will be teaching two telemarking classes at White Pass during Winterfest. The morning of February 19th, Dale offers an introductory class. An intermediate class will be held the morning of February 20th. The classes are free, but individuals will have to buy their own lift ticket.

**Roommate?** Are you looking for a last minute roommate? Check with Doug Savage (698-9774) to see if there are any other members seeking the same.

## ***Upcoming Outings***

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### **Day Ski to Copper Creek**

Saturday, February 5th

Contact: Teresa Sayers (895-8769)

Enjoy an easy ski to Copper Creek hut on the Mt. Tahoma Trails system near Mt. Rainier. It's about four miles to the hut on trail suitable for beginners and intermediates. A Snow Park Pass is required for parking at this trailhead.

### **Climb Mt. Ellinor**

Sunday, February 6th

Contact: Scot Fourier (698-3005)  
Doug Savage (698-9774)

On a clear day the spectacular views from the summit of Mt. Ellinor include Mt. Washington, Mt. Pershing, Hood Canal, Puget Sound, and the Cascades in the distance. This is a second class climb with the probability of deep snow. Think about bringing your skis or snowshoes.

### **Snowshoeing at Alpentel**

Saturday, February 12th

Contact: Eric Jensen (377-8158)

Enjoy a seven mile round trip snowshoe outing at the Alpentel Area near Snoqualmie Pass. The fitness level is moderate and the fun level is high. No passes are required for this area.



### **Mountain Biking/Sea Kayaking**

February 24th thru March 4th

Contact: Bruce Legler (479-1926)

email: legler2wa@aol.com

Join a group of up to twelve people for ten days of mountain biking and sea kayaking in Baja, Mexico. Create unforgettable memories on the Sea of Cortez and in the area near La Paz. The cost is \$995 per person. Contact Bruce for more details.

### **Hog Loppet**

Saturday, February 26th

Contact: Dave Cossa (871-5577)

Website: [www.wenatcheevalley.org](http://www.wenatcheevalley.org)

This annual event is a twenty-one mile ski along groomed trails from Mission Ridge Ski Resort to Blewett Pass. Entry forms are available on the internet. Bus service is provided from Wenatchee to Mission Ridge and back again from Blewett Pass. Call Dave or hop on-line for more information.

### **Weekday Skiing**

Contact: Jon DeArman (697-1352)

Jon is looking for skiers available for midweek outings throughout the winter.

### **Skateland**

Sunday Nights 7:00 to 9:30 pm

Contact: Charlie Pomfret (479-7820)

Join in the fun as a number of PWCers meet at Skateland for adults-only skate night.

## More Outings & Notices

### Mt. Tahoma Ski Hut Outings

**Contact:** Tony Abruzzo (871-5754)

**February 5th & 6th**

at High Hut [8 guests]

**March 25th & 26th**

at Snow Bowl Hut [8 guests]

The following people are scheduled to go on the upcoming Mt. Tahoma Ski Hut Outings. If you want to be considered as an alternate in case someone drops out, ask Tony to add your name to the list.

**February 5th & 6th**

at High Hut (advanced beginners)

- ◊ Bruce Candioto
- ◊ Jon, Sue, and Mark DeArman
- ◊ Paul Dutky
- ◊ Cindy Holben
- ◊ John Knott
- ◊ Nancy Meyer

**March 25th & 26th**

at Snow Bowl Hut (advanced beginners)

- ◊ Dave Cossa
- ◊ Mac Dowell
- ◊ Lynn Howat and guest
- ◊ Deb Legg
- ◊ Rick McNicholas
- ◊ Irma O'Brien
- ◊ Mary Russell-Aulet

### Rara-Simikot Loop

**June 23rd to July 10th**

**Contact:** Brian Steely

**Phone:** (360) 297-3825

**Email:** steelcra@telebyte.com

Brain Steely still has openings for this year's Nepal adventure. This incredible journey starts in Kathmandu. You are then flown to Nepal's remote western frontier, and from there, to Jumla in the northwest.

The actual trek begins there, as we head to Rara Lake National Park. From Rara we continue in a loop to Simikot, exploring the incredible scenery and cultures along our route. From there we return by air to Kathmandu.

It is a total of eighteen days once we land in Kathmandu. The total cost is \$1580 which includes all expenses once landing: transportation to and from the airport, all hotel stays, cost of permits, porters and guides, all air and ground transportation within Nepal, and all meals while on the trek. This is a totally catered event.



## February

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Feb 5th & 6th	High Hut Overnighter	Toy Abruzzo (871-5754)	3
Feb 6th	Mt. Ellinor	Scot Fourier (698-3005) or Doug Savage (698-9774)	2
Feb 10th	Interested Members Meeting	Teresa Sayers (895-8769)	4
Feb 12th	Alpental Snowshoe	Eric Jensen (377-8158)	2
Feb 14th	General Meeting	Unitarian Fellowship Church	i
Feb 19th - 21st	Winterfest 2000	Doug Savage (698-9774)	1
Feb 24th - Mar 4th	Biking/Kayaking Baja	Bruce Legler (479-1926)	2
Feb 25th	Potluck	Tom Banks (697-7708)	4
Feb 26th	Hog Loppet	Dave Cossa (871-5577)	2

## Interested Members Meeting

Thursday, February 10th, 7:00 p.m.

Attend the interested members meeting at Teresa and Chris Sayers' house in Port Orchard. A dozen or so members meet to plan trips and discuss club business and new ideas. It's a great way for new members to meet people and get involved. Call or email Teresa for directions at 895-8769 or [tsayers@telebyte.net](mailto:tsayers@telebyte.net).

## Feb. January Potluck

Friday, February 25th, 6:00 pm

Contact: Tom Banks (697-7708)

Join the fun and comraderie at the monthly potluck: an informal and social way to meet new members or reintroduce yourself to long-timers. The host will provide dessert. **Please bring a main or side dish, appetizer, or salad.**

## PWC Climbers Group

An informal gathering of climbers meets the last Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Silver City Brewing Company in Silverdale. All are welcome to join us for general socializing and discussions about past and future mountaineering excursions. For directions, call Tom Banks at 697-7708. For a list of climbers, send an e-mail to Jim Morrison at: [jmorrison@telisphere.com](mailto:jmorrison@telisphere.com) or phone 638-2705.



## A Word About Outings

The persons sponsoring trips are organizers and should not be considered instructors. If you are unsure of your abilities, skill level, or equipment, discuss the trip thoroughly with the organizer. Often, friendly guidance is available on the trip; however by preplanning you will help ensure everyone has a safe and fun adventure.

## Newsletter Folding...

A small group of PWCers meets to prepare the newsletter for mailing. Call Doug Savage at 698-9774 for specific location and time if you would like to help.

## Recent New Members

The PWC welcomes its newest member: Elaine Beslanwitch.

## PWC On-Line

Bert Cripe maintains the club website and the email list. Contact him for your on-line needs.

Phone: (206) 548-8052

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## Officers & Staff

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**Last Month's Door Prize:** Dawn Vokali won the January door prize, a set of ski skins. The monthly door prize is donated by Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe. All members can enter at the Monday night meeting.

## More Announcements & Notices



Visit the *PENWICLE* on-line at  
<http://kendaco.telebyte.com/~bcripe/>

## *PENWICLE* Submittals

⇒ Deadline for newsletter submittals is the 15th of the month. See the back of the newsletter for where to send your contributions.



## Pet Policy



Because some people may not be as comfortable with your pets as you are, you're asked to please leave them at home when attending PWC outings unless the trip is specifically advertised as welcoming them.

Thank you.

## *Thank you!*

Thanks so much to all the members who contribute articles and information for the newsletter. Your personal experiences and knowledge add interest and color to the *Penwicle*. Your efforts make my duties easy and fun! --- T. Sayers, Editor

## *In Memoriam*

*Barbara Krell*

*October 11, 1943 - January 1, 2000*

*Tribute by Wendy McClure*

**B**arbara Krell was my best friend. We met when our youngest children were in pre-school together and discovered a mutual interest in hiking and natural history. Hiking grew to include camping and backpacking as we expanded our horizons exploring the Pacific Northwest. We hiked many hundreds of miles, mostly in the Olympics, learning more and more about the geology and botany around us. It was a shared passion I've found in no other person. She was a part of my life for 23 years and we often joked about how we would still be hiking in the Olympics as little old ladies.

About 9 years ago cancer became a part of Barb's life. But, even as she struggled with it and its treatment she was determined to continue as many outdoor activities as she could. She asked her husband to mark the outline of her backpack straps on her chest so when the portacath for chemo infusion was implanted she could still wear her backpack. She amazed me and others how active she remained and her tenacity made it easy to be lulled into the false sense that maybe the cancer would just go away. Unfortunately, it was not to be and she lost her battle with breast cancer on January 1, 2000.

Barb enjoyed many great times with Peninsula Wilderness Club members—hiking, skiing and especially, the 3 trips to the Grand Canyon. I am grateful I was able to join her on a 4<sup>th</sup> trip last April to Havasu Canyon with her sons.

Barb was my best friend. I'll miss her dearly.



(Editor's note: Barbara was a member of the PWC for ten years and served as past secretary. She had a positive and fun-loving spirit that brightened many club outings and the lives of fellow members who had the pleasure of hiking with her.)

# The Banff Mountain Film Festival

by Lee Jensen

The argument could well be made that the center of the universe for Mountaineering is in Banff. This little resort town in the Canadian Rockies of Alberta meets all of the criteria that could be used for Yosemite, or those cute little towns in the European Alps, or maybe even Katmandu. In addition to the challenging mountain routes close at

hand and a history of courageous and innovative mountaineers, Banff also offers a lofty, energetic and intellectual center for the academic study of mountaineering in the present tense as well

as a serious collection and study of climbing history. The heart of this vital contemporary school of intellectual and physical energy is the *Banff Centre*. The roots of "The Centre" are in the Arts, the original name; *The Banff Centre for the Arts* was changed to emphasize the current four fundamental arms of emphasis: The Banff Centre for the Arts, The Banff Centre for Management, The Banff Centre for Conferences and The Banff Centre for Mountain Culture.

With an emphasis on Arts and Mountaineering it is certainly unremarkable that the Centre should sponsor the annual Mountaineering Book and Film Festival. 1999 was the twenty-fourth feting of this delightful early November event and to those who have an interest in the

mountains, nature, ecological issues and muscle powered adventures this should be a "must-do" on the life list.

If one is serious about seeing the films, it is possible to sit in a campus theater for three days for several hours a day. (A very comfortable intimate campus theater none-the-less.) This very activity, or more accurately *inactivity*, is the antithesis of what mountaineer types do for pleasure. I would suggest at the onset that in order to enjoy this event one must not only enjoy mountaineering, or kayaking or hiking or the politics of environmental issues; one must also enjoy the *intellectual aspect* of these pursuits. This event is for those hobby-adventure types who, though never will have the skill, money, energy, time or opportunity to climb in the Himalayas, enjoy learning about the adventures of others vicariously.



This is a juried show and as such there is a selection process, and out of 175 films submitted for presentation only 30 were shown in the main three-day presentation. The attendee has a surfeit of good choices, but for *most* people the Eric Harvie Theater is where the action is. The

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jury included two with local roots: Kitty Calhoun and Tom Hornbein. It is important to note that these are not all *great* films, certainly it could be said that they are at the very least *good* films, and maybe even *great mountain films*. The relative ease with which modern filmmaking techniques can be used on big walls as compared to high-risk adventure travel such as big mountains leaves a strong bias with filmmakers in favor of the former. It would be unnatural for attendees to this event to not call into question the selections of the jury. This reporter would fault the jury for too many big wall films, as well as placing too much emphasis on the subject matter and not enough on the overall quality of the film. The complaint is small however when compared to the overall grandeur, excitement, spectacle and simple *fun* of attending this event. The best films are truly spectacular.

The opening night guest speaker was Göran Kropp—the “crazy guy” mentioned in *Into Thin Air*—the man who bicycled to Mount Everest from his home in Sweden. It was truly a delightful presentation, one he was to repeat in Seattle a few days later. One of the joys of the Banff Festival is the approachability of the producers/authors/etc. Dan Austin, the producer and star of one of the films mailed us a video print of his film (*True Fans*) for \$10.00—and he paid the \$3.00 postage.

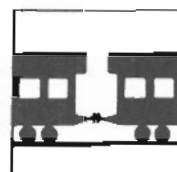
It hardly needs to be pointed out to the readers of the *Pemwicle* what a joy Banff is to visit, and even though Banff is an easy long day drive from Kitsap County, this reporter would find it very difficult to drive through Kamloops without a stop at *Peter's Pasta* for a meal and cup of coffee. After a cup of Peter's coffee it would be immoral,

illegal and imprudent to drive farther. Peter's Pasta is two blocks from the Kamloops Youth Hostel.

The Banff Youth Hostel is—in one person's opinion—the best place to stay while visiting there. The guests are always interesting, friendly and have a consistent *joie de vivre*. It is luxurious by hostel and budget travel standards, and of course the price is accommodating.

One could well imagine a contingent of PWC members taking the train to the 2000 Festival, enjoying Banff, and the Hostel, and community meals in the kitchen and the inevitable round-table discussions. The format for 2000 has been expanded to seven days, and the presenters are truly stellar. A short list includes Lynn Hill, Sir Christian Bonington, Kitty Calhoun, Greg Child, Yvon Chouinard, Catherine Destivelle, Sir Edmund Hillary, Thomas Hornbein, Reinhold Messner, Royal Robins, Ed Viesturs, among twenty-eight or so lined up at this date. It is hardly essential that one attend all seven days to enjoy the Festival but it goes without saying that tickets will become rare by October.

Lee Jensen (see: [www.banffcentre.ab.ca/Lcmc](http://www.banffcentre.ab.ca/Lcmc) for details)





## PWC Logo Contest February 14th!!!

Contact: Tom Banks (697-7708)

Hope you've all been doodling away on your rendition of a new club logo. The logo contest will be held at the February general meeting. Members will vote by ballot for their favorite. Our existing logo (shown at right) will be entered in the running too. The winning logo will earn the designer a \$100 gift certificate from the Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe.



## T-Shirt Committee

Contact: Doug Savage (698-9774)

With the new club logo in hand, the t-shirt committee will begin planning in earnest. There are still lots of details up for discussion: styles, colors, sizes, and more. Contact Doug to join in the organization and planning.

### Missing:

The most recent volume of the PWC scrapbook "disappeared" at a meeting last year and hasn't resurfaced. If anyone has the scrapbook or knows where it is, please call Kathy Simm at 876-5730.

### For Sale:

PWC has a Hewlett Packard DeskJet 520 printer for sale with two replacement ink cartridges. \$50 or best offer. Contact Teresa Sayers at 895-8769 or email at [tsayers@telebyte.net](mailto:tsayers@telebyte.net).

## Newsletter Contributions and Address or Phone Number Changes:

Send articles, trip reports, stories, announcements, etc & address and phone number changes to:  
**Teresa Sayers, 4130 Harris Rd. SE, Port Orchard WA 98366; phone 895-8769;**  
email [tsayers@telebyte.net](mailto:tsayers@telebyte.net).

### How to Join the PWC (or renew your membership):

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 Peninsula Wilderness Club, P.O. Box 323, Bremerton, WA 98337-0070. PWC members get a 10% discount at Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe and at The Ajax Cafe.

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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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