October 2002

Peningula Wilderness Club meets on the second Monday of every month at 7:30 pm at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Perry Avenue in East Bremerton. The public is cordially invited

Antarctica and New Zealand

Monday, October 14, 7:30 pm Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Bremerton

Dee Molenaar, noted geologist, artist, cartographer, and mountaineer, will present a slide show of his three-week trip to the frozen continent and Kiwi-land. This aerial photographic visit was supported by the National Science Foundation for the purpose of Dee preparing a pictorial map of the McMurdo Sound area. Included are flights over the Transantarctic Mountains and the famous "dry valleys" and to the South Pole, along with a summary of the early explorations that include the "Race to the Pole" by Scott and Amundsen in 1911–1912.



October Vote on Proposed Bylaws

The vote on the proposed modifications to PWC bylaws will take place at the October General Meeting by secret ballot. Please read over the annotated copy of the bylaws showing the current language and proposed new language that was inserted in the September Penwicie. Proposed deletions are shown with a strikethrough and proposed additions are double underlined. Following any section that includes a proposed change, an explanation for the change is given in bold type. Members may contact any retiring board member if additional information is needed.

Officers and Staff

During September's General Meeting, members were nominated to fill the Officer vacancies. Since no more than one member was nominated for each position, there will be no secret election of officers in October, instead an informal show of hands seconding the nominations will occur. The new officers' terms will begin immediately after the October General Meeting.

Officer Nominations:

President—Rick Fleming Vice President—Tom Banks Secretary—Deb Legg Treasurer—Tom Broszeit



Board (requires three members)—Doug Savage, Sarah Armstrong, Jill Hawes

Some staff vacancies were also filled by dedicated members. We still have a need for a new webmaster!

New Staff:

Club Database and Membership Coordinator— Tom Broszeit Refreshments—Jill Hawes Events—Tom Banks (Vice President) Online Service—Volunteer needed! Contact the new president...

We Couldn't Have Done It Without You!

To the retiring officers and staff—Ron Croft, Lori Hudson, Kevin Kilbridge, Barney Bernhard, Teresa Sayers, Laura Croft, Bert Cripe—*many, many thanks* for all their time and hard work!

Ron Writes...thanks and a recap

Congratulations to the newly nominated president, officers, and board members who will assume their responsibilities after the October meeting. Serving the club will be a new experience for some, while others have served in various roles in the past. This can provide a good balance of ideas to serve a changing membership.

As I end my tenure as president, I've been looking back. Most rewarding has been the opportunity to get better acquainted with club members and make new friends. Laura and I look forward to building on these relationships for many years to come.

The thing I wanted most to do as president was make the club a bit more inclusive and reach out so that those who joined would find it easier to make connections. To that end, I began sending out a welcoming letter along with a revived and modified new members packet. New members were introduced at the monthly general meeting and a membership coordinator position was established. The club scrapbook was revived and photos introduced in the newsletter to serve the interest of older members and give newer members a look at who we are and what we do. A midweek hikers registry was established. The application blank in the Penwicus was revised to include a statement giving anyone thinking of joining an idea of how the club operates. To serve all members, several positions were added to the newsletter staff and we've been able to mail the newsletter as much as a week earlier, allowing members to plan their schedules better. Not least of all, the number of club outings has increased over each of the last two years with some different members coming forth to sponsor them. Your comments on these things have been very positive and made the time spent very much worthwhile.

The above things and more were made possible by a generous and devoted group of volunteers who cannot be thanked enough for their contributions: Joe Weigel, who arranged for monthly programs; Lezlie Cox, Tom Broszcit, Vicki Fleming, and Steve Dikowski, who produced the Penwicle; Bert Cripe, who maintained the web site, Linda Fourier, who maintained the scrapbook; Laura Croft, who assured that we always had refreshments; the members, who brought refreshments; all the helpful people, who stayed after the monthly meetings to help clean up; and those, who helped fold the newsletter. A big thanks to all of you. Club members will be well served by those continuing in these roles.

Alas, all did not go well. Most of you recently received copies of several tasteless and inflammatory email messages. They were an inappropriate use of the club email list and reflect poorly on the writers who chose to shoot first rather than ask any questions. These messages offended many members and were a sad commentary for a club founded on the principle of promoting "a spirit of good followship...." Newer members should keep in mind that the club has over 350 members and the letter writers do not reflect the nature of the club. Hopefully, an incident like this will never be repeated and the new president and board will have a tenure free from strife.

"Great things are done when men and mountains meet; This is not done by jostling in the street." ~ William Blake

See you in the mountains!

In friendship, Ron Croft, President







Friday, October 25, 6:30 pm-?, Waterman Community Club, Port Orchard Contact: Rick Fleming, 360-779-2275

Once again this will be a costumed party with activities for all ages, plus a DJ to play your favorite monster melodies. Volunteers dying to decorate should contact Rick. To get to the club, take Bay Street through downtown Port Orchard; at the Union 76 gas station and stoplight, turn left onto Beach Drive; go about four miles and then turn right onto Hillcrest Drive; less than a mile or so up the hill, the club is on the left at the intersection of Hillcrest and Opdahl Road. Members should contact Kathy Weigel at 360-871-0291 or kmweigel@earthlink.net for directions. If you have been to Kathy's house, you are very close to the club.



Outings

A Word About Outings

All PWC outings and other activities are open to anyone, but if you enjoy our company and what we do, we would like you to become a member.

The persons sponsoring trips should not be considered instructors or leaders. If you are unsure of your abilities, skill level, or equipment, discuss the trip thoroughly with the organizer. Remember that each participant is responsible for his or her own comfort and safety on any outing. Please always carry the 10 essentials.

Pet Policy

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

Car Camp at Dungeness Spit

Friday, September 27–Sunday, September 29 (two nights) Contact: Joe & Kathy Weigel, 360 871-0291

Car camp at Dungeness Spit County Park. Day hike the beach to the lighthouse. This is a beautiful hike along a curved sand finger formed by the Dungeness River as it meets the Strait of Juan de Fuca near Sequim. This saltwater beach walk extraordinaire is hidden from view by massive sandy cliffs separating the rural farmland from the strait. On the inside curve, waterfowl play. At the end of the 5-mile spit is an 1874 lighthouse.

Backpack the Dungeness River Trail

Saturday, September 28–Sunday, September 29 Contact: Doug Savage, 360-698-9774

Backpack the Dungeness River Trail to Boulder Shelter. The Dungeness River is beautiful, unsurpassed in clarity because it is not a glacial stream. The gradually ascending trail follows the river to the meadows of Camp Handy at the center of the breeze-swept river valley, then climbs above the valley to the subalpine Boulder Shelter camp. A day hike up to Charlia Lakes along ridges and through meadows will offer splendid views of interior peaks and valleys of the Olympics.

Hike to Lake of the Angels

Saturday, October 12

Contact: Barney Bernhard, 360-479-3679

Hike the Putvin Trail to Lake of the Angels. This is a difficult hike. The trail climbs nearly 3,700 feet in just over three miles. The teardrop-shaped lake lies in a glacial cirque below the ridge that links Mount Skokomish to Mount Stone. Views of the interior Olympic peaks include—Duckabush, Steel, Olympus, and Hopper.

Backpack to Appleton Pass

Saturday, October 12–Monday, October 14 Contact: Doug Savage, 360-698-9774 Joe Weigel, 360-871-0291

Backpack to Appleton Pass, then hike along Cat Creek Way trail, a splendid high-country route, noted for rugged terrain and glorious views from Appleton Pass to the High Divide: Oyster Lake and Cat Creek Basin, Mt. Carrie and Mt. Tom, Mt Olympus and the Blue Glacier, and Cat Peak. Return via Sol Duc Park.

Photo Shoot of Mt. Baker

Monday, October 14

Contact: Jon DeArman, 360-697-1352

A photographic outing for those SLR camera bugs wanting to capture the south side of Mt. Baker.

Hike Lena Lake

Saturday, October 19

Contact: Tom Leurquin, 206-842-5906

This is a good hike for families with a possible side trip of one mile to a huge boulder worth seeing. Six miles roundtrip with 1200 feet of elevation gain.

Hike Mt. Zion

Sunday, November 2

Contact: Teresa Sayers, 360-895-8769

Spectacular views from the summit include neighboring Olympic peaks, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and Mt. Baker in the distance. Nearly four miles roundtrip with about 1300 feet of elevation gain.

Winterfest 2003

February 14–17, Stevens Pass Contact: Jon DeArman, 360-697-1352

Jon DeArman is sponsoring Winterfest 2003. This year's Winterfest will be held at the Stevens Pass Mountaineers' cabin, February 14–17. The cabin is located at the 4061-foot summit of Stevens Pass. The cabin is four stories high, sleeps 55 people, and has a men's, women's, familes', and couples' dorm plus kitchen, dining, and living areas.

The cost is approximately \$20 Friday night and \$25 Saturday/ Sunday nights—this includes breakfast and dinner.

For a guaranteed reservation, Jon DeArman must receive money by January 1, 2003, or people can take a chance and make their own reservations by calling 800-573-8484 on or after January 28, 2003. More details to come in December Penwicle.

Trip Reports...Today and Yesterday

Windsurfing

Saturday, August 31, offered me the perfect opportunity to try a sport I'd thought about doing for over 15 years—windsurfing. Thanks to PWCers Dale Boyle and Ann Richey, who provided the equipment, I had a great time riding the wind at Buck Lake near Hansville on a day as warm as the 73° water temperature. I couldn't imagine why no one else had joined us, the event having been announced at the August meeting and a notice of it in the PENWICLE. But all the better for me as I became Dale's main focus in teaching the basics of windsurfing. It helps to know the ins and outs of regular sailing, but not knowing will only slow down the learning process, not the enjoyment of gliding over water without motorized power. The wind was light enough that I was able to avoid any real trouble, yet strong enough to get a little speed up in moving across the lake. My biggest fear had been being able to balance myself on the board, but after practicing (and falling) a few times, I managed to stay upright and was even able to walk around the board in a circle. This came in handy, because halfway through my sail, I had to switch sides on the board in the middle of the lake while also maneuvering the sail 180° in order to return to my original starting point. I wondered why Dale was wearing a wetsuit, but found out the next day when the sunburn kicked in. So, if you go, don't scoff at those sunbreaks, but protect your skin with sunblock; then get ready for great fun. And hopefully, Dale and Ann get a larger turnout the next time they invite PWC out for a day of riding the lake. ~ Steve Dikowski

Upper Lena Lake

PWC newsletter, December 1987

With another sunny weekend predicted, this year's extended hiking season gave us an opportunity to visit beautiful Upper Lena Lake without the summer crowds. After waiting at the Hamma Hamma Road trailhead for possible late arrivals, our "group" of two started out briskly at 8:30 am Saturday, October 17. The well maintained and gently switchbacking trail that leads through this beautiful forest to Lower Lena Lake enabled us to make up for lost time on this 14-mile roundtrip hike. Upon reaching the lower lake and the junction to the upper lake in about an hour, we stopped to refresh ourselves, and the local camp robbers, before continuing. Now the reputation of Upper Lena's trail became obvious. It was steeper, rockier, more obstructed, rougher, tougher, slicker, you name it! Any excuses for stopping along the way? Take pictures of those autumn colored vine maples, examine that unusual fungus, pick up some litterum americana, and take time to smell the codar. In just four short hours or aerobic points, we arrived

fungus, pick up some litterum americana, and take time to smell the cedar. In just four short hours or aerobic points, we arrived on a ridge overlooking the alpine jewel of Upper Lena Lake. It was gorgeous. Eating lunch near the shore, virtually in silence, we absorbed the tranquil wilderness scene for an hour. But knowing we had to reach the trailhead by 6:30 pm, or risk crawling in the dark, we reluctantly started back down. Despite our rapid clip, we were passed by two "light" hikers (no packs whatsoever), but 6:15 found us safely back in the parking area. Darkness settled rapidly as we drove home with fired satisfaction. ~ Ann Sanborn

Biking on Bainbridge

PWC Newsletter, December 1987

Having noticed the sun come out by mid-Sunday after a gloomy weekend, I decided it would be a good day to take a bicycling tour of Bainbridge Island. So donning my traditional "redneck" biking attire—cotton flannel shirt, loose trousers, and steel-toed work boots (Aside from giving a solid base to press down, it protects from the danger of putting one's foot through the front wheel spokes—watched a young lad do that once.). Oh yes, and the cycler's helmet.

Unloaded my bicycle on the Kitsap side of Agate Passage and walked the bicycle across the bridge. From there I turned south along the west side of the island. While the weather lasted it was beautiful, with the afternoon sun giving the day a warm comfortable feel. The back roads of south Bainbridge Island on a Sunday afternoon, certainly this afternoon, is a cycler's paradise. Unlike on the mainland, auto drivers here slow for bikers, so you can really relax and enjoy yourself without feeling pushed. Some of the terrain is hilly, but not all that bad either.

By the time I reached Winslow, the clouds had started coming back and I decided to cut back to Agate Passage directly across the island. Madison Avenue, running north, turned out to be a poor choice. It's relatively well traveled by cars and has no side lane. Route 305 is also heavily traveled, but it has a wide side lane so you can make good time. ~ Clint Porter

Monthly

MAP: Monthly Activity Planning	October						
Thursday, October 10, 7 pm Conlact: Vicki & Rick Fleming, 360-779-2275	S	М	T	W	Th	F	S
Discuss club business and help MAP out the schedule at the Fleming's home in Poulsbo.	6	7	1 8	2 9	3 10	4 11	5 12
Halloween Party and Potluck!	13 20	14 21	15 22	16 23	17 24	18 25	19 26
Friday, October 25, 6:30 pm, Waterman Community Club, Port Orchard Contact: Rick Fleming, 360-779-2275	27	28	29	30	31	23	20
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PWC Climbers Group	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
An informal gathering of climbers meets the last Monday of the month (Check calendar for date changes.), 7 pm, at the Silver City Brewing	3	4	5	6	7	8	2 9
Company, Silverdale. All are welcome to join us for general socializing and discussions about past and future mountaineering excursions. For	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
directions, call Tom Banks at 360-352-4154. For a list of climbers, call	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Jim Morrison at 360-638-2705 or email jimjuliem@yahoo.com.	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

October-November

Date	Outing/Meeting	Contact	Page
9/27–29	Car Camp at Dungeness Spit	Joe & Kathy Weigel, 360-871-0291	3
9/28 29	Backpack the Dungeness River Trail	Doug Savage, 360-698-9774	3
9/30	PWC Climbers Group Meeting	Tom Banks, 360-352-4154	5
10/10	MAP Meeting	Vicki & Rick Fleming, 360-779-2275	5
10/12	Hike to Lake of the Angels	Barney Bernhard, 360-479-3679	3
10/12-14	Backpack to Appleton Pass	Doug Savage, 360-698-9774	3
10/14	Photo Shoot of Mt. Baker	Jon DeArman, 360-697-1352	3
10/14	General Meeting	Ron Croft, 360-779-6250	1
10/19	Hike Lena Lake	Tom Leurquin, 206-842-5906	3
10/25	Halloween Party and Potluck	Rick Fleming, 360-779-2275	2
10/28	PWC Climbers Group Meeting	Tom Banks, 360-352-4154	5
11/2	Hike Mt. Zion	Teresa Sayers, 360-895-8769	3

PWC Welcomes New Members... Amy Jo Bolon, Jennifer Tavares, Mauro Heine & Elizabeth O'Neil

PWC Webmaster Wanted!

Bert Cripe, who has volunteered so much of his time and worn many club hats such as Penwicus editor, organizer of the club database, and currently PWC webmaster, is retiring his PWC website as of September 30. The club would like to have a website, so if you have an itch to HTML and 8B Edit, please contact the new president, Rick Fleming, at 360-779-2275.

Road Closure

A member reports that a notice at the Quilcene Ranger Station indicates that the road to the Mt. Jupiter trail will close for logging activities beginning Labor Day and is not expected to reopen until next May.

A Change in Address Changes...

Bert Cripe will no longer maintain the club database. Address changes should be sent to Tom Broszeit at Peninsula Wilderness Club, P.O. Box 323, Bremerton, WA 98337-0070, or email tomsmail123@aol.com. Members should also contact fom if they wish to receive a new membership directory.



Mountaineers' Gear Grab 2002

Get great used gear for pennies! Come to the annual Gear Grab on Thursday, October 24, 6:30 pm, at 300 Third Ave W (lower Queen Anne) in Seattle. For more information, contact Jon DeArman at 360-697-1352.

Newsletter Folding in October

In October, we will need volunteers and a home to fold the newsletter. Each month, a group of PWC members fold, staple, and stamp the Penwicle to get it ready for mailing. This usually takes place at the home of the potluck host, an hour before the potluck but will not occur this month due to the Halloween Party pre-empting the monthly potluck. Members who have indicated an interest in participating are contacted by email. To add your name to the list, contact club secretary Lori Hudson at 360-697-1281, or sign up on the volunteer sign-up sheet when you come to a general meeting.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Thanks to Ruth Ann Rossiter, Alice Savage, P.J. LeTexier, Barbara Hager, and Cathy Palzkill for the wonderful cookies, brownies, and nutbreads we all enjoyed in September. And many, many thanks to everyone who have generously baked and bought, boxed up and brought refreshments for us all to share during these past two years. A special thank you to Diana Bailey and Joan Edwards who stepped in and made sure everyone had cookies to eat and something to drink for those meetings I was unable to be there. Thanks also to everyone who chipped in after the meetings to clean up the tables, vacuum the floor, and wipe down the kitchen counters. All your help certainly made my job easier. Starting with the October meeting, Jill Hawes has volunteered to take over the refreshment coordinator responsibilities, so if you can bring cookies to the meetings, give her a call at 360-275-5402, ~ Laura Croft

Olympic National Park Plant Restoration

Olympic National Park's wilderness restoration program will again be at Royal Basin this year. Beginning September 14 and ending with the first snowfall, volunteers are needed to help with planting at Royal Basin. Please call to ensure your space as the number of volunteers is limited to 12 at any given time in order to stay within the park's backcountry group size limit. Call Matt Albright, 360-565-3072, or Ruth Scott, 360-565-3071. You will need to get a backcountry permit to stay overnight during these projects. A reservation should be made with the Wilderness Information Center at 360-565-3100.

Door Prize

Cathy Palzkill won a \$25 gift certificate from the Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe. Thanks to the Shoppe for donating the prize.

Workshop on Pacific Northwest Salmon

Saturday, October 26, Thursday, October 31, and Saturday, November 2

Contact: Poulsbo Marine Science Center, 360-779-5549 or info@poulsbomsc.org

Ever wondered how regional salmon species are distinguished? What makes their life cycles unique among fish? How they find their "home" streams? Why they are so vulnerable to human activity? Have you ever watched salmon fight their way upstream?

Learn a host of salmon secrets when instructor Jon Day presents his enlightening 10-hour workshop on northwest salmon at the Poulsbo Marine Science Center and in the field (Participants should be able to walk one mile.).

Whether you're a fisherman, a nature or outdoor lover, a hiker, or someone simply fascinated by our northwest water world and its wonderful creatures, this exciting workshop will give you new insights about the salmon, one of our region's most important fish species, and one of its most vulnerable.

Tuition is \$59 with clock hours available. The minimum age of participants is 13.

Trailhead Shuttle Service

Members who may need a shuttle from trailhead to trailhead, anywhere in the Olympics, can find information at www.windsox.us or e-mail Cate DeShazer at windsox@centurytel.net. PWC members will receive a discount.

Roller Skating in Bremerton

Bremerton Skateland reserves Sunday night, 7–9:30 pm, for adults! Contact Kevin Koski at 360-698-0655 or Skateland at 360-479-7655 for details.

Change of Penwicle Deadline

Beginning in October, the deadline for PENWICLE submissions is the Friday after the General Meeting (not the 15th of the month). If you have questions regarding the change, please contact Lezlie Cox at 360-479-7853 or email penwicle@hotmail.com.

Happy Halloween!



Club Business

Joining the PWC or Membership Renewal...

PWC General Meeting is held the second Monday of each month, 7:30 pm, at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in East Bremerton. To join or renew, please see form on back of newsletter. Receive a 10% discount at the Mt. Constance Mountain Shoppe, the Ajax Café, and Commander's Beach House Bed and Breakfast with your membership card. New members will receive a card with their New Membership packet. All members can pick up a card at the monthly meeting.

Address Changes and Member Address List...

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PENWICLE...

Submissions to the PENWICLE must be received by the Friday after the General Meeting to insure a place in the next issue. Contact Lezlie Cox at 4219 West View Dr., Bremerton, WA 98310, or at penwicle@hotmail.com.

PWC Online...

Offline until a member volunteers to build and maintain a website for the club. Contact the new president if interested.

Officers & Staff

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Join or Renew Membership

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The Peninsula Wilderness Club is an informal organization for persons interested in active outdoor pursuits. Main activities include hiking, backpacking, mountain climbing, rock climbing, and skiing. All outings, from casual hikes to technical mountain sports, are initiated by individual members. These members are volunteers who generously offer to make minimal arrangements so an outing can take place. They do not accept responsibility for the safety or care of any participant. The PWC does not conduct instructional programs and members are expected to have whatever clothing, equipment, skills, and physical conditioning are appropriate for the outing they wish to join. Members are expected to practice responsible environmental stewardship and must accept that there are dangers and a risk of injury in most outdoor activities.

Dues are \$25 per household per year. Send a check or money order to: Peninsula Wilderness Club, P.O. Box 323, Bremerton, WA 98337-0070.				
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