

SEPTEMBER
2011

Peninsula Wilderness Club

PENINSULA

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

September Presentation

**Cycling Normandy and the
World War II Beaches
Monday, September 12th, 7pm
Presented by PWC Member
Molly Deardorff**

In September 2010, Molly Deardorff and John Stejer went on a six-day bike journey through the countryside of Normandy, France. Normandy is known as the land of apples and cows, hedgerows and maritime weather. Normandy is also a region rich in history from Viking invasions to the Allied beach landings of June 6, 1944.

Please join Molly (the Francophile food buff) and John (the cycling history buff) as they reminisce about their trip. They hope to introduce you to the sights and feel of the region and to impart some tips for planning your own bike trip to France.



MAP: Monthly Activity Planning Meeting

Thursday, September 8th, at 7 pm
Contact: Joe & Kathy Weigel, 360-479-5116

Discuss club business and help schedule outings at Joe & Kathy's house in Bremerton. All members are invited to attend.

Monthly Potluck

Friday, September 30th, 6:30 pm
Contact: Brenda McCormick, 360-871-2142

Visit with fellow PWCers at a member's home. Bring an entrée or side dish to share. The host will provide the dessert. Check the calendar for host's info.

Date	Outing / Meeting	Contact
9/1	Weekly Green Mountain Hike	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/2-5	Summerfest in the Mt. Baker Wilderness	Tom Broszeit, 360-621-3683, tomsmaill23@msn.com
9/2-5	Extended Backpack to Ferry Basin, Bailey Range, Olympic N.P.	Doug Savage, 360-698-9774, thehiker@comcast.net
9/2-5	Beginner or Geezer backpack weekend at Dosewallips Campground	Joan Edwards, 360-509-5297, jwwestin@comcast.net
9/3-6	The Devils Loop	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/8	MAP Meeting at Joe & Kathy Weigel's house	Kathy & Joe Weigel, 360-479-5116, kmweigel@comcast.net
9/9-11	Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival	
9/11	2011 World Hardcourt Bike Polo Championships	Tom Leurquin, 206-842-5906, trlbi@hotmail.com
9/12	PWC Meeting	
9/15	Weekly Green Mountain Hike	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/17-19	Loowit Trail around St. Helens	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/22	Weekly Green Mountain Hike	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/24 - 10/9	Bryce, Zion and Grand Canyon	David Boyde, 360-692-9325, theboyde@aol.com
9/24	Ancient Lakes Overnight	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/29	Weekly Green Mountain Hike	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com
9/30	POTLUCK at Brenda McCormick's house	Brenda McCormick, 360-871-2142, brendam001@aol.com
10/1	18-mile Enchantments day hike	Jay Thompson, 360-509-9918, jaythom1@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTES FROM PAUL DUTKY (PWC PRESIDENT):

- ELECTIONS:** Please come to the September meeting to nominate folks you want to run the club next year, and to pick up the new club roster of members. Brief descriptions of all PWC positions of responsibility have been uploaded to the Membership section of the web site at <http://www.pwckitsap.org/>. Detailed job turnover notes will be available by the October General Meeting. These will be distributed to incoming Board members and those holding other positions of responsibility in the club.
- DROPBOX:** The club has adopted a common repository for images and videos to be used for our general meeting trip reports, the club website and Penwicle. This is in a folder called "PWC" and is hosted by Dropbox, a free online cloud-computing data storage service. If you haven't already joined Dropbox, and are a member of the PWC, email Paul Dutky to send you an invitation and a description of the conventions we have adopted for those using this folder. Dropbox will allow you to access previous month's meeting presentations in PowerPoint format, video clips used during meetings, and photos that are contributed by the membership.

The PWC folder is a temporary storage location, and has limited space. Content more than two months old will be deleted to make room for new data. Jay Thompson, our Web Master, will try to upload your images to the "Image Gallery" area of the forum after they show up in Dropbox - where they will have a more lasting presence.

Your contributions may or may not be used by club officers, but any that are used will be attributed to you. Guidelines for using the PWC Dropbox folder will be posted on the membership section of the web site. By sharing your images on Dropbox, you are giving the club permission to use them. Please share any good images you take of club activities and events!

Outings

3. **CONTENT MANAGER:** I'm creating a new position in the club called the "Content Manager", the person who will manage the PWC Dropbox folder. I will assume this position for the near future, with the permission of the incoming President. The Content Manager will continue the current practice of piecing together images and video for trip reports during the first half of our general meetings, in collaboration with the President.

Paul Dutky

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, discuss the trip thoroughly with the organizer. Each participant is responsible for his or her own comfort and safety on any outing. Always carry the 10 essentials.

Please Call Early

As a courtesy to the sponsor of an outing in which you are interested, please try to call at least two days before the trip for single-day outings, and as soon as possible for overnight outings. This allows the sponsor time to make necessary arrangements, or alternate plans, should a trip be canceled for some reason. Your consideration will be greatly appreciated.

Pet Policy

Please leave pets at home when attending PWC outings unless the trip is specifically listed as welcoming them.

Carpool and Ride Sharing

We strongly encourage carpooling and ride sharing as a way to reduce impact to trailheads, minimize our environmental footprint, and reduce costs. Please be considerate to your drivers, including situations when you ride with different drivers in each direction. The amount you contribute to your driver(s) should reflect the distance driven, the cost of gas, and tolls/parking fees – short trips might be \$5 per person, long trips could be considerably more.

The WEBSITE: A Source for Outings

Remember that trips can be listed on the website under Last Minute Trips. If you don't see something that interests you in the newsletter, check the website for additional trips. Or, if you are leading an outing that was planned after the deadline, use the website to post the information. This can now be done in THREE ways: You can fill out the form online, you can email or call the info directly to the Webmaster, Jay Thompson, at pwcadmin@pwckitsap.org or 360-307-0037. Or, you can email or call Paul Dutky at pdutky@gmail.com or 360-479-2683 to get the outing listed on the PWC Calendar online.

Outings:

Weekly Green Mountain Hike

Thursday, Sep 1 at 6 pm

Contact: Doug Savage, (360) 698-9774, or email: thehiker@comcast.net

or contact: Jay Thompson, (360) 509-9918, or email: jaythom1@hotmail.com

Jay Thompson and Doug Savage are sponsoring weekly, after-work hikes up Green Mountain every Thursday evening at 6 pm starting from the Gold Creek parking area.

So far this year, the hikes have been very successful and are a great opportunity to meet hikers of all abilities from the Peninsula Wilderness Club, Kitsap Outdoors Meetup and the Kitsap Hikers group on Facebook. We have had as few as 3 hikers on one trip and as many as 21 on another. All are welcome to attend and share a snack or two with everyone at the summit. Visit this link to see pictures of past hikes <http://www.pwckitsap.org/trip-reports/706-2011-weekly-green-mountain-hikes-doug-jay.html>

Hikes occur every Thursday evening, rain or shine, but be sure to check the calendar on the day of the hike before heading out to meet Doug or Jay. Any cancellations will be posted here. Weekly hikes will end near the end of September due to it getting dark earlier.

Note: As of July 1, 2011, a Washington State Discover Pass is required to park at the trailhead. See the PWC Calendar for more information on this hike and the Discover Pass.

Summerfest in the Mt. Baker Wilderness

Friday, Sep 2-5

Contact: Tom Broszeit at 360-621-3683, or email: tomsml123@msn.com

Join your PWC friends for Summerfest in the Mt. Baker Wilderness over the Labor Day weekend. We are again renting the large house in Glacier where we enjoyed Winterfest. The arrangements are the same. Spend Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights at the house and day-hike throughout the North Cascades during the day. Nancy Osburn will coordinate breakfasts and dinners on Saturday and Sunday. There are 12 queen-sized beds in 12 rooms, and one foldout bed in the loft.

The trip is currently full, but if you are interested, call or email Tom to let him know to put you on a wait list. Additional details and day hike options are on the PWC website calendar.

Outings

Extended Backpack to Ferry Basin, Bailey Range, Olympic N.P.

Friday, Sep 2-5

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-698-9774, or email: thehiker@comcast.net

Start this multi-day backpack from the Elwah River. Climb up Long Ridge into the heart of the Bailey Range. Base camp in Ferry Basin. Call Doug for details.

Beginner or Geezer backpack weekend at Dosewallips Campground,

Friday, Sep 2-5

Contact: Joan Edwards at 360-509-5297, or email: jwwestin@comcast.net

Great beginner or Geezer hike! Easy 5 miles in to Dosewallips Campground Friday, Sept. 2. Set up base camp (campfires allowed).

Day hikes Saturday and Sunday. Hike out Monday. Easy enough hike to bring a big bottle of elixir. Lots of very nice campsites with picnic tables along the river. Resident ranger on site.

The Devils Loop

Saturday, Sep 3-6

Contact: Jay Thompson at 360-509-9918, or email: jaythom1@hotmail.com

Or contact: Kevin Koski at 360-373-7429, or Email: kevin.koski@navy.mil

"The Devils Loop that circumnavigates Jack Mountain, the most visible 9,000-foot peak in the North Cascades, will thrill you with its splendid vistas of Cascade spires and Pasayten highlands, wilderness, solitude, and accomplishment." borrowed from the book, Trekking Washington, by Mike Woodmansee.

Join Jay Thompson and Kevin Koski as we hike around Jack Mountain on the Devils Loop. The Devils Loop is 43 miles with about 10,000 feet of elevation gain. We will take advantage of the Labor Day Weekend and come home Tuesday evening, avoiding the Labor Day traffic jams on the drive home.

MAP Meeting at Joe & Kathy Weigel's

Thursday, Sep 8 at 7 pm

Contact: Kathy and Joe Weigel at 360-479-5116, or email: kmweigel@comcast.net

All members are encouraged to attend this PWC event-planning meeting ("Membership Activity Planning"). Those present try to coordinate proposed outings to offer trips on most weekends. Trips that are agreed upon are subsequently published in the Penwicle and listed in the Calendar.

Kathy and Joe Weigel are hosting the meeting at their house at:

165 N Lafayette Ave.
Bremerton, WA

Feel free to bring snacks or drinks to the meeting to share.

2011 World Hardcourt Bike Polo Championships

Sunday, Sep 11

Contact: Tom Leurquin at 206-842-5906, or email: trlbi@hotmail.com

Bike polo is a very fast-paced sport that is a combination of polo and hockey. It's a wonderful spectator sport and the riding skill that these people have is off the charts. Seattle has won the world championship in the past and so has Vancouver, BC. I saw these two teams play in Victoria in June and it was an amazing event from two of the world's best teams. They will probably be the two teams to beat this year. The event will be held at Warren Magnuson Park. The time has not been set yet, but figure on leaving mid-morning. We can carpool from my house.

PWC Meeting

Monday, Sep 12 at 7 pm

The meeting starts at 7 pm at the Unitarian Church in Bremerton.

Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
4418 Perry Ave. NE
Bremerton, WA

Weekly Green Mountain Hike

Thursday, Sep 15 at 6 pm

Please see the Sep 1st entry for details and contacts.

Loowit Trail around St. Helens

Saturday, Sep 17-19

Contact: Jay Thompson at 360-509-9918, or email: jaythom1@hotmail.com

Join Jay as we hike around Mount St. Helens on the Loowit Trail. Hike is about 33 miles and requires traversing several deep gullies that continually wash out and seem to get deeper every year. WTA did extensive trail maintenance on the Loowit in 2010 but the gullies will likely still be a challenge.

From the National Forest Website:

The Loowit Trail #216 is a rugged and challenging trail for experienced hikers. The reroute at the Blue Lake Wash has been completed.

A few washouts still exist in making the Loowit Trail hard to navigate in places. At the South Fork Toutle River, the trail is difficult to follow due to erosion and deposition in the flood

plain. People are crossing downstream and hiking back up to the Loowit. Flagging helps mark the way. Hikers can expect downed trees and washouts with the trail being difficult to see and/or follow in places. Crossing steep gullies may require extra care and time.

Please note water sources are limited in late summer. No Dogs, No Bikes, No Camping between the South Fork Toutle River and Windy Pass.

Weekly Green Mountain Hike

Thursday, Sep 22 at 6 pm

Please see the Sep 1st entry for details and contacts.

Bryce, Zion and Grand Canyon

Saturday, Sep 24, to Oct 9

Contact: David Boyde at 360-692-9325, or email: theboyde@aol.com

NOTE: Itinerary has Changed!!

This trip will include a variety of activities in Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks. Activities at Grand Canyon include an (optional) one-day, 24-mile Rim-to-Rim trip from the North Rim to the South Rim, a 10-mile day hike from Hermits Rest to Dripping Springs, and finally, a 3-day, 34-mile backpack on abandoned jeep trails and cross-country to Cape Solitude and Comanche Point. Those that opt out of the Rim-to-Rim can explore various viewpoints and ferry a vehicle from the North Rim to the South Rim. Other than the Rim-to-Rim, the trip will be up high on the plateau and the upper sections of the canyon. I already have reservations for the North Rim Campground (9/25), the Maswik Lodge (9/26) and the Mather Campground (9/27) as well as the permit for the Cape Solitude /Comanche Point backpack (9/28 & 9/29).

At Bryce, we will camp at either the North or Sunset Campground. Activities at Bryce Canyon include a 2- or 3-day, 24-mile backpack on the Under-the-Rim Trail and/or up to 7 different day hikes totaling 36 miles over 3 days. The permit for the Under-the-Rim Trail can only be requested the day prior, on-site. Once we arrive at Bryce, we will apply for the permit and do day hikes until we actually get the permit. If we do not get a permit within the first 3 days, we will complete the day hikes and then proceed to Zion on either 10/03 or 10/04.

At Zion we will camp at either the Watchman or South Campground. The activities at Zion will consist of 6 different day hikes totaling 40 miles over 3 or 4 days.

The itinerary for this trip is to leave Bremerton on 09/24, spend 09/25 through 09/29 at Grand Canyon, travel to Bryce on 09/30, remain at Bryce through 10/03 or 10/04, and then travel to Zion. We then will be at Zion until 10/08 and return to Bremerton on 10/09.

Group size is limited to 7 due to restrictions on the Under-the-Rim Trail at Bryce Canyon. There are already 3 slots

taken, so if interested, or for more information, contact Dave Boyde.

Ancient Lakes Overnight

Saturday, Sep 24

Contact: Jay Thompson at 360-509-9918, or email: jaythom1@hotmail.com

Join Jay Thompson and Steve Osburn on an overnight trip to Ancient Lakes in Eastern Washington. Ancient Lakes are set in a coulee left over from the Missoula floods and are about 10 or 15 miles away from the Gorge Amphitheater. The hike to the lakes is short, only a couple of miles, but there is a 10-mile loop for those looking for more adventure in a wild west kind of setting. Bring your cameras and a sense of adventure as we camp out under the stars and listen to the coyotes howl at night.

A valid Discover Pass or Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Pass is required to park at the trailhead.

See link below for a trip Jay took there this spring.

<http://www.pwckitsap.org/trip-reports/696-april-22-2011-micro-backpack-ancient-lake.html>

Weekly Green Mountain Hike

Thursday, Sep 29 at 6 pm

Please see the Sep 1st entry for details and contacts.

POTLUCK at Brenda McCormick's house

Friday, Sep 30 at 6:30 pm

Contact: Brenda McCormick at 360-871-2142, or email: brendam001@aol.com

Visit with fellow PWCers at one of our member's homes. Bring an entrée or side dish to share. The host will provide the dessert.

This month's host is Brenda McCormick

4991 Lakeview Place SE
Port Orchard, WA 98367

18-mile Enchantments day hike

Saturday, Oct 1

Contact: Jay Thompson at 360-509-9918, or email: jaythom1@hotmail.com

Join Jay and Isaac as we do a one-day thru-hike of the Enchantments. We plan to car camp the night before and hike in the Colechuck side and out the Snow Lake side. We will likely start hiking by headlamp to get an early start. Larch should hopefully be turning gold by this time of the year. Call if you would like to join us or provide a shuttle. We will be driving two cars to do a shuttle.

Route consists of approximately 5000' elevation gain - 7000' elevation loss and close to 18 miles. Trip is dependent upon good weather.

Other Outings *(General information describing trips and events that recur over multiple weeks)*

Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival

Friday, Sep 9-11

Port Townsend's Wooden Boat Festival is the most education-packed and inspiring wooden boat event in the world. Featuring more than 300 wooden vessels, hundreds of indoor and outdoor presentations and demonstrations, a who's who of wooden boat experts and thousands of wooden boat enthusiasts, there's something to do, someone to meet or a boat to board at every turn. Expanded a little each year, the festival honors its traditions while inviting energetic debate and demonstration about the latest innovations in boatbuilding, equipment, skills and adventure.

Music, commercial and non-profit exhibitors, food vendors and faculty presentations are posted intermittently from May through August. If you've never been to the festival and you want an "idea" of how much there is to do, take a look at the 2010 festival program: music, presentations, exhibitors, demonstrations and kids' activities.

One-Day Tickets: \$15 or \$10 for Seniors over 65 and Teens. Free shipping to your home if you buy online before July 15!

Backcountry Fun!

(Recipes, Humor & Tips Submitted by Readers!)

On a recent backpack trip with Washington Native Plant Society in the Blue Mountains our group met a fellow hiking out after spending several days in the backcountry. He was eager to share trail tips and tell about his experiences. This included the fact that he had loaded his pack with 20 cans of Mountain Dew and, when he reached the trailhead, realized his pack was very heavy so took out 4 cans.

Now, 20 12-oz. cans weigh 15 pounds and removing 4 cans would reduce that to 12 pounds. Makes me wonder what else he considered essential--or not.

Submitted by Wendy McClure

If you have a recipe or fun (short) topic, please send it to the Penwicle editor at Penwicle@hometown.com



Trip Reports and Photos

Weekly Green Mountain hike (Aug 11) Photos by Jay Thompson



Deception Pass paddle (Aug 14)
Photos by Isaac Sun

Trip Reports and Photos



Ozette Triangle overnight
(Jul 30). Photos by Steve Osburn



Mt. Washington climb (Aug 4).
Photos by Isaac Sun

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Anacortes to Friday Harbor
(Jul 30). Photos by Isaac Sun



The Enchantments (Jul 23). Photos by Jay Thompson



Mt. Adams Climb
(Jul 23). Photos by
Isaac Sun



Club News

PWC Host

Are you a new member or guest? Look for the PWC Host, identified by a Host name tag, 15 minutes before the General Meeting and during the break. The Host can answer questions and point out PWC trip sponsors that share your interests. Pam Sargent will be the September Host.

PWC Online... <http://www.pwckitsap.org/>

Go to the website to find upcoming trips, trip reports, photos, a discussion forum, and more.

Door Prize

At the August meeting, Kathy Weigel won a Gorillapod portable camera holder.

Tech Talk

Tom Brozeit gave the Tech Talk on full length zippered rain pants at the August meeting.

Meeting Refreshments

Thanks to all who have brought snacks to meetings! Contact Doug Savage at 360-698-9774 or thehiker@comcast.net if you would like to help bring snacks to the next meeting.

We Need You!

Each month the club's MAP meeting and potluck dinner are in need of volunteer hosts willing to share their home for an evening. If you can handle a small home invasion, please contact the club secretary, Emily Grice, at 206-842-7883.

Sponsor an Outing

If you are planning a trip, let us know about it! Come to the MAP meeting to discuss your trip, or submit trip descriptions to the Calendar-Meister, Paul Dutky, at pdutky@gmail.com, or by calling Paul at 360-479-2683. Planning a last-minute outing? No problem - post your trip on the PWC website under Last-Minute Trips, or on the PWC Calendar.

Scrapbook Photos Wanted

Sue DeArman is looking for photos of PWC activities. Please include your name, details of the trip, and people and places in the pictures. Contact Sue at 360-697-1352 or dearmans@comcast.net

Update Your Email Address

Contact Venita Goodrich to update your email address and other contact information. Contact Venita by email at vmnotbf@comcast.net, or call 360-471-0522.

Your Trip Photos Wanted!

Do you have some great pictures to share or a (very short) story about a recent trip? Steve Osburn is looking for pictures to print in the PENWICLE. Please send photos to Steve at penwicle@hotmail.com.

Club Business

Joining/Renewing your Membership

The PWC General Meeting is held the second Monday of each month, 7 pm, at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in East Bremerton. To join or renew, please see form on the back of this newsletter. Receive a discount on select merchandise or services at the following businesses with your PWC membership, but check with vendor for details:

- Olympic Outdoor Center, Port Gamble (NEW location!)
- Vertical World Climbing Gym, Bremerton
- Silverdale Cyclery, Silverdale
- Commander's Beach House Bed and Breakfast, Port Townsend
- Ajax Café, Port Hadlock
- Kitsap Sports, Silverdale
- Jackie's Marine and Kayak Sales, Brownsville
- Poulsbo Running, Poulsbo

New members will receive a membership card with their New Membership packet. All members can pick up a card at the monthly meeting.

Member Address & Phone List Changes

Address changes should be sent to Venita Goodrich at:

Peninsula Wilderness Club

P.O. Box 323

Bremerton, WA 98337-0070

or email vmnotbf@comcast.net, or call 360-471-0522.

Members should also contact Venita if they wish to receive a new membership directory.

PENWICLE Submissions

Submissions to the PENWICLE must be received by the Wednesday after the General Meeting to insure a place in the next issue. Please contact Steve Osburn at penwicle@hotmail.com if you have a submission.

Officers and 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, skiing, kayaking, and bicycle riding. 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

Please check if: New Member(s) ☐

Renewing Member(s) ☐

Change of Address ☐

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

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