

**JANUARY
2013**

Peninsula Wilderness Club

PENINSULA WILDERNESS CLUB

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.

**January Program:
"Lake-bagging" in the
Cascade Range
Monday, January 14th, 7 pm**

Join "Dayhike Mike" Baker for an entertaining slide show of off-trail adventures including the Berdeen to Blum traverse (North Cascades), Lime Ridge High Route (Glacier Peak Wilderness), and various trips in and around the Stone Kingdom (Alpine Lakes Wilderness).



Photos courtesy of Mike Baker

MAP: Monthly Activity Planning Meeting

Thursday, January 10, at 7 pm
Contact: Kevin & Gail Gross, 360-307-9022

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

Monthly Potluck

Friday, January 25, 6:30 pm
Contact: Emily Grice, 206-842-7883

Potlucks are a great way to meet other members and learn more about the club. The host provides dessert, and attendees bring an entrée or side dish to share; and BYOB. See calendar for more details.

Recurring Trips (weekly events): *See the "Other Outings" section of this newsletter for these trips.*

Sunday Half-Day Hikes with Isaac
1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27 and 2/3

Isaac Sun, 360-930-5300, isaac@thesuns.net

Pool Play in Gig Harbor
1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28 and 2/4

Allison Reinbold, areinbold@comcast.net

Regular Trips:

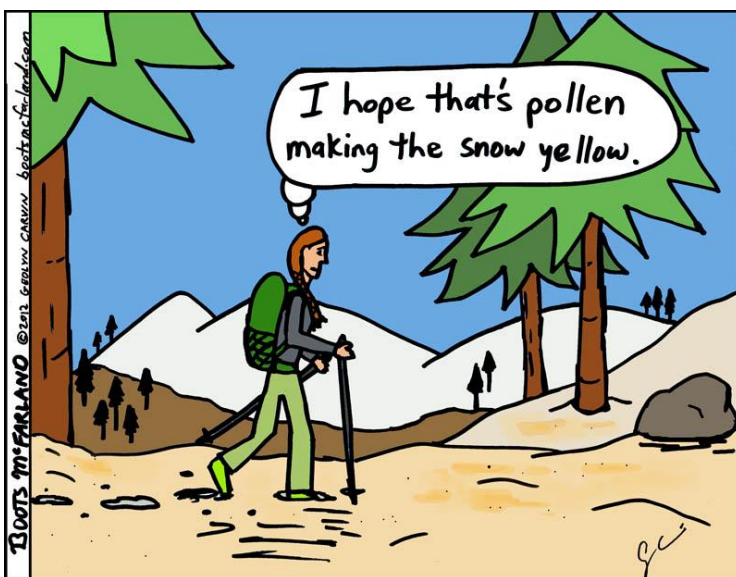
| Date | Outing / Meeting | Contact |
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| 12/31 | CANCELED: New Year's Eve in Port Townsend | |
| 1/1 | Fort Warden New Year's Hike | Venita Goodrich, 360-471-0522, vmnotbf@comcast.net |
| 1/5-6 | High Hut skiing/snowshoeing overnight | Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net |
| 1/10 | MAP Meeting | Kevin & Gail Gross, 360-307-9022, kevinandgail@wavecable.com |
| 1/12 | Wolf Creek Trail, Olympic N.P. | Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net |
| 1/13 | Kayak Pool Play Session in Bremerton | Daniel Montgomery, 360-801-5076, djmontg@gmail.com |
| 1/14 | PWC General Meeting | Brian Steely, 360-297-3825, brianandcris@centurytel.net |
| 1/18-21 | Methow Valley Nordic Skiing | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683, pdutky@gmail.com |
| 1/20 | Hike the Big Creek Trail | Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net |
| 1/25 | POTLUCK at Emily Grice's home | Emily Grice, 206-842-7883, emilykgirce@gmail.com |
| 1/26 | Steeple Rock or Hurricane Hill ski/snowshoe | Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net |
| 2/2 | Spruce Railroad Trail | Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net |
| 2/2-3 | Snow camp overnight at Paradise, Mt. Rainier | Doug Terry, 360-550 7911, doug@dougterry.net |

Notes & Announcements to Members:

- **TRIP SPONSORS NEEDED!** Please consider sponsoring an outing. It's simple – just let the Calendarmeister (Paul Dutky) know what to include in the trip summary, and we'll get it into the calendar. See "Sponsor an Outing" on page 9 for information on how to get a trip listed. Outings are sponsored by outdoor enthusiasts LIKE YOU!

On the Trail with "Boots" McFarland

Reprinted with permission of the artist, Geolyn Carvin.
Check out her website at
<http://bootsmcfarland.com/home.html>



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, 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.

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

Our PWC Website calendar is at:

<http://www.pwckitsap.org/content/117-pwc-calendar.html>

If you don't see something that interests you in this newsletter, check the website for additional trips and last-minute trips and updates. If you are a trip sponsor, have a new trip to list, or need to update an existing trip, please see the end of this newsletter for more information.

Upcoming Trips & Events:

Fort Warden New Year's Hike

Tuesday, Jan 1 at 11 am

Contact: Venita Goodrich at 360-471-0522, or email: ymnotbf@comcast.net

Join Venita and other PWCers for an annual New Year's Day hike at Fort Warden. We will meet at 11 am in the parking lot by the lower campground area. From there we will either hike the bluff or the beach (or both), depending on tides and what the group wants to do. Come help us start the year off right with a hike!

Follow up the beach hike with a climb of Mt. Barstool, 2 pm.

High Hut skiing/snowshoeing overnight

Saturday, Jan 5-6

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or email: thehiker@comcast.net

Call Doug if interested.

MAP Meeting

Thursday, Jan 10 at 7 pm

Contact: Kevin and Gail Gross at 360-307-9022, or email: kevinandgail@wavecable.com

All members are encouraged to attend this PWC Membership Activity Planning (MAP) meeting. 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.

Volunteers offer to host the meeting at their house. Feel free to bring snacks or drinks to the meeting to share. This month's MAP meeting location is at Kevin and Gail Gross's house.

5619 NW Iskra Blvd.
Bremerton, WA 98312

Wolf Creek Trail, Olympic N.P.

Saturday, Jan 12

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or email: thehiker@comcast.net

The trail starts at Whiskey Bend and follows the old road to Hurricane Ridge. Total length is 16 miles; total elevation gain is 3800 feet. Bring a flashlight as the days are short!

Kayak Pool Play Session in Bremerton

Sunday, Jan 13 at 8:30 am

Contact: Daniel Montgomery at 360-801-5076, or email: djmontg@gmail.com

Dan is hosting four Bremerton YMCA pool play sessions this winter where folks can work on re-entry skills, the roll, or whatever.

We'll offer one session per month. The dates are January 13, February 10, March 10, and April 14.

The rental cost of the pool went up this year, so we are asking \$15 for a two-hour session from 8:30 to 10:30 am. If we consistently have more than 8 participants, we'll lower the fee. Leftover funds from last year can cover an occasional shortfall.

Show up a bit early with a clean boat so you can start right at 8:30 am.

Outings

PWC General Meeting

Monday, Jan 14 at 7 pm

Contact: Brian Steely at 360-297-3825, or email:
brianandcris@centurytel.net

The meeting starts at 7 pm at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 4418 Perry Ave NE, Bremerton, WA.

Methow Valley Nordic Skiing

Friday, Jan 18-21

Contact: Paul Dutky at 360-479-2683, or
email: pdutky@gmail.com

Skiing in the Methow Valley over MLK weekend is now an established tradition in the PWC. There are 100 miles of groomed cross country trails available to us in this beautiful valley.

Most will drive to the Methow Friday night (5 to 6 hours) and possibly get a short ski session in. We'll have a potluck Saturday and Sunday nights, and return Monday.

We have been staying at the Timberline Meadows Cabins (near Winthrop, WA) in recent years. This year we are up to 5 houses! Cost per person ranges between \$140 and \$165, depending on the house and number of occupants.

For more information, call Paul at 360-479-2683, or email him at pdutky@gmail.com, or contact Emily Grice at emilykgrice@gmail.com.

Hike the Big Creek Trail

Sunday, Jan 20 at 8 am

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or
email: thehiker@comcast.net

One of my favorite winter hikes! We'll meet at the Kitsap Airport at 8 am and drive to the Staircase area.

We'll climb up the flank of Mt. Ellinor as far as we want, have lunch, and descend.

POTLUCK at Emily Grice's home

Friday, Jan 25 at 6:30 pm

Contact: Emily Grice at 206-842-7883, or
email: emilykgrice@gmail.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.

The host for this month's potluck is Emily Grice, whose address is:

7863 Fletcher Bay Rd NE
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

Steeple Rock or Hurricane Hill ski/snowshoe

Saturday, Jan 26

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or
email: thehiker@comcast.net

Call Doug for details.

Spruce Railroad Trail

Saturday, Feb 2

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or
email: thehiker@comcast.net

Hike followed by dinner at the Oak Table in Port Angeles. Call Doug for details.

Snow camp overnight at Paradise, Mt. Rainier

Saturday, Feb 2-3 at 7:45 am

Contact: Doug Terry at 360-550 7911, or
email: doug@dougterry.net

Snow mountaineering camping excursion to Dead Horse Creek or Glacier Vista Group Sites above the Paradise Visitor Center. Both of these sites are within a mile of the parking lot. This outing may run through the 4th if there is sufficient demand.

Excess food/fuel can be stored in your vehicles, so bring sufficient fuel to heat your food and melt snow (make water) for 3 days and 2 nights (or 4 days and 3 nights if the event runs through Monday). Bear canisters are recommended since unattended food tends to be molested by foxes and other tent-raiding little buggers.

Don't bring your summer Walmart tent – it will shred in the wind! Please see the website for additional details, plus more information on what to pack in your car. If you have any questions, ask early on!

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

Sunday Half-day hike with Isaac

Sundays: 1/6, 1/13, 1/20 and 1/27 at 9 am

Contact: Isaac Sun at 360-930-5300, or
email: isaac@thesuns.net

Isaac wants to invite potential PWC members, newcomers, and everyone else to these relatively easy half-day hikes. They will occur either Saturday or Sunday depending on his schedule.

Check the PWC Website calendar for specifics, as Isaac will update the event entry (day, location, or cancellation) by the Friday before the weekend. If you can't reach him at home, try his cell: 808-391-5431.

Outings

These hikes will be 4-12 miles long, up to 1500 ft elevation gain, and about five hours in duration. The destination may be changed by consensus. Meet at the Silverdale Skateboard/Dog Park at 9 am to carpool.

Possible hikes include:

1. Ilahhee Forest Reserve & State Park - 4 mi.
2. Clear Creek Trail, Silverdale - 2-4 mi.
3. Green Mountain, various trails - up to 8 mi.
4. Euland Tree Farm near Kitsap Lake - 4-8 mi.
5. Newberry Hill Heritage Park - 4-8 mi.
6. North Kitsap Heritage Park, Indianola - 4-8 mi.

Pool Play in Gig Harbor

Mondays: 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28 and 2/4 at 6:30 pm

Contact: Allison Reinbold at email: areinbold@comcast.net

Kayak Pool Play hosted by the Tacoma Mountaineers - everyone welcome. Monday nights January 7 - March 25, 2013, from 6:30 until 8:30 pm at:

Peninsula High School Pool
14105 Purdy Drive NW
Gig Harbor, WA 98332

\$10 per boat (please pay by check). Pay at the door when you sign the attendance form. No registration required, just bring your clean boat. We offer discounted Pool Session coupons (five coupons for \$40) -- one coupon is good for one Pool Session. If you are interested, contact Allison.

Into the Future *(Trips that require group planning or reservations by each attendee)*

2013 Sunshine Trips

Tony Abruzzo, Bob Brown and Rob Waldorf are leading trips to different destinations this year, collectively termed "Sunshine Trips" because these areas typically have nice weather. Some trips require permits and advance planning, so please read below, and consult the PWC Website calendar for more details.

CANYONLANDS NATIONAL PARK (SQUAW FLATS GROUP CAMPGROUND)

DATE: APRIL (DATES TBD)

LEADER: TONY ABRUZZO 360-871-5754

Abruzzo1945@gmail.com

PACIFIC BEACH, WA

DATE: MAY (DATES TBD)

LEADER: MIKE DUNN 360-876-5253

skiKodiak@yahoo.com

LAVA BEDS NATIONAL MONUMENT, CA

DATE: JUNE (DATES TBD)

LEADER: BOB WALDORF 360-792-1017

Robwaldorf@comcast.net

COEUR D'ALENE, ID

DATE: JULY (DATES TBD)

LEADER: DAWN VOKALI 360-871-5754

Violets mama8902@gmail.com

BEND, OR

DATE: AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 15

LEADER: BOB BROWN 360-569-2878

Skipatrol10@hotmail.com

BLACK HILLS, HILL CITY, SD

DATES: SEPTEMBER 16 - 20

Will be renting a house on the Mickelson bicycle trail

LEADER: BOB BROWN 360-569-2878

Skipatrol10@hotmail.com

More details on the above trip(s) are available on the PWC Website calendar.

Trip Reports and Photos



Kayak Pool Skills Session (Nov 25). Photos by Isaac Sun

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Sinclair Inlet (Dec 7). Photos by Cary



South Fork of the Skokomish River (Dec 8). Photos by Barbra Haskell

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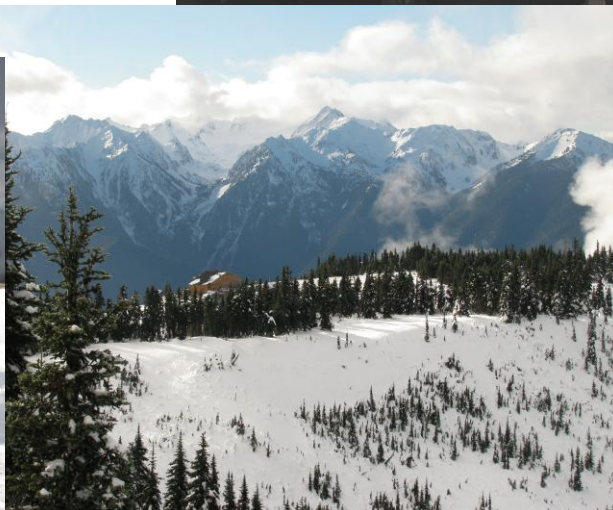
Hurricane Hill (Dec 9). Photos by Isaac Sun



Oyster Bay (Dec 17). Photos by Isaac Sun

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Sunset Ridge at Hurricane Ridge (Nov 24).
Photos by Barbra Haskell



PWC Host

Are you a new member or guest? Look for the person wearing a "PWC Host" name tag, 15 minutes before the General Meeting and during the break. The host can answer questions and point out members that share your interests. John & Barb Hager will be the January hosts.

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

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

December Meeting Notes:

Bob Walter won a lightweight hydration pack as a door prize at the meeting.

Meeting Refreshments

Thanks to all who have brought snacks to meetings! Contact Doug Savage at 360-981-9333 or thehiker@comcast.net if you would like to help bring snacks to the next meeting.

Sponsor an Outing!

If you are a club member and interested in leading an outing, let us know about it so we can post it! Even if you list your trip in other forums, including it as a PWC event helps connect people and groups, and helps the club stay active. To sponsor an outing, come to a MAP meeting to discuss your trip! You can also fill out the form on our website, 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 our Calendarmeister, Paul Dutky, at pdutky@gmail.com or 360-479-2683. Any of these options will get your outing listed on the PWC Calendar online.

We Need Your House!

Each month the club's MAP meeting and potluck dinner need volunteer hosts willing to share their home for an evening. If you can handle a small home invasion, please contact the club secretary, Megan Thompson, at 360-871-6014.

Your Trip Photos Wanted!

Do you have some great PWC trip pictures? Each month we need your trip photos to share during the club meeting slide show and in the Penwicle. Please contact Paul Dutky (pdutky@gmail.com), the PWC Dropbox manager, to find out how to send us your pictures – it's easy, and helps us a lot!

Scrapbook Photos Wanted

Sue DeArman is also looking for photos of PWC activities. Please send photos. Include your name and details of the trip (people and places) to Sue at dearmans@comcast.net.

Update Your Email Address

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

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 (check with vendor for details):

- Olympic Outdoor Center, Port Gamble, <http://www.olympicoutdoorcenter.com/>
- Silverdale Cyclery, Silverdale, <http://www.silverdalecyclery.com/>
- Commander's Beach House Bed and Breakfast, Port Townsend, <http://www.commandersbeachhouse.com/>
- Ajax Café, Port Hadlock, <http://www.ajaxcafe.com/>
- Kitsap Sports, Silverdale, <http://www.kitsapsports.com/>
- Wildernest, Bainbridge Is., <http://wildernestoutdoorstore.com/>
- Poulsbo Running, Poulsbo, <http://www.poulsborunning.com/>
- Back of Beyond, Bainbridge Is., <http://www.tothebackofbeyond.com/>

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 ymnotbf@comcast.net, or call 360-471-0522.

PENWICLE Submissions

Submissions to the PENWICLE must be received by the Wednesday after the General Meeting to ensure 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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|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|
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Join or Renew Membership

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The Peninsula Wilderness Club is an informal organization for people 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 who volunteer to make minimal arrangements so an outing can take place. They do not accept responsibility for the safety, training or care of any participant, 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: _____

For new members - how did you hear about us? _____

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