MAY 2013

Peninsula Wilderness Club

Bremerton. The public is cordially invited.

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Peninsula Wilderness Club meets on the second Monday of every month at 7 pm at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Perry Avenue

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May Program: Hiking Eastern Washington With Author Craig Romano Monday, May 13th, at 7 pm

Award-winning author Craig Romano invites you on a slideshow hiking tour of Eastern Washington. Drawing from his 9th book, the newly released Day Hiking Eastern Washington (co-authored with Rich Landers), Craig will introduce you to a diverse array of (and often sunny) trails east of the Okanogan and Columbia Rivers. Discover trails in the lofty pine and meadow shrouded Kettle River Range; grizzly bear and caribou inhabited Salmo-Priest bird and wildflower Wilderness; abundant Channeled Scablands; the wild white bluffs of the Hanford Reach National Monument; the lonely elkriddled Blue Mountains; and the abundant parks and preserves of the Spokane region.



Romano is one of the most prolific trails writers in the Northwest, having penned books covering the





Olympic Peninsula, North Cascades, Idaho, and Columbia River Gorge. His Columbia Highlands: Exploring Washington's Last Frontier, was recognized in 2010 by Washington Secretary of State Sam Reed and State Librarian Jan Walsh as a Washington Reads book for its contribution to Washington's cultural heritage.

Join us for a great presentation!

(All photos, above, are courtesy of Craig Romano, Guidebook Author and Outdoors Writer)

Monthly

MAP: Monthly Activity Planning Meeting

Thursday, May 9th, at 7 pm

Contact: Tom Rogers, 360-692-2547

Discuss club business and help schedule outings at Tom's house in Brownsville. All members are invited to attend.

Monthly Potluck

Friday, May 31st, 6:30 pm

Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683

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.

Green Mountain Weekly After-Work Hike and Social

5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22 and 5/29

Walk/Jog Around Kitsap Lake 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25 and 6/1

Kitsap Hikers on Facebook, kitsaphikers@groups.facebook.com

Kim Ragains, 360-550-0082

Regular Trips:

<u>Date</u>	Outing / Meeting	Contact
5/5	Hike/Climb Mt. Baldy	Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net
5/9	MAP Meeting at Tom Rogers' house	Tom Rogers, 360-692-2547, thomasrogers@comcast.net
5/11	Explore Rich Passage from Evergreen Park	Isaac Sun, 360-930-5300, isaac@thesuns.net
5/12	Climb/Ski Mt. St. Helens in a Dress!	Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net
5/13	PWC General Meeting	Shelley Fleming, 360-621-6167, richelle.fleming@gmail.com
5/14	Crevasse Rescue Classroom Session #1	Dale Boyle, 360-792-1714, dboyle@web-o.net
5/16	Crevasse Rescue Classroom Session #2	Dale Boyle, 360-792-1714, dboyle@web-o.net
5/17-19	Annual Dosewallips Car-Camping Trip	Joe and Kathy Weigel, 360-479-5116, kmweigel@comcast.net
5/18	Crevasse Rescue / Glacier Travel Training	Dale Boyle, 360-792-1714, dboyle@web-o.net
5/19	Climb Mount Ellinor & Ice Axe Arrest Practice	Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net
5/25-26	Anvil Rock (Mt Rainier) Ski/Snowshoe Overni	ght Doug Savage, 360-981-9333, thehiker@comcast.net
5/31	Potluck	Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683, pdutky@gmail.com
6/2	Hike to Marmot Pass	Barbra Haskell, 360-981-3077, b1haskell@earthlink.net
6/2-8	Climb Mt. Shasta	Tom Henning, 360-895-4018, khsbandmom@juno.com

Notes & Announcements to Members:

• We need your trip photos! The Penwicle and the PWC meeting both depend on members sharing their trip photos. For the Penwicle, we like to show at least 4 or 5 different trips or outings in each issue. Please share your pictures via Dropbox so that both the Penwicle editor and Paul Dutky can share them with others. Contact Paul at pdutky@gmail.com for more information on how to join and use Dropbox — it's easy, and helps the club show what we do!

On the Trail with "Boots" McFarland

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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:

Hike/Climb Mt. Baldy

Sunday, May 5

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or

email: thehiker@comcast.net

Hike/climb the Maynard Burn way trail to the summit of Mount Baldy (6500 feet, 3500 feet of elevation gain). If there is interest, we may do the Mount Tyler, Mount Baldy triangle. Elevation gain will be about 4000 feet; the trail is rather steep. Ice axe will be needed for the couloir traverses. Contact Doug for further information.

MAP Meeting at Tom Rogers' house

Thursday, May 9 at 7 pm

Contact: Tom Rogers at 360-692-2547, or

email: thomasrogers@comcast.net

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 Tom Rogers' house:

2665 Ortis Road Poulsbo, WA 98370

Explore Rich Passage from Evergreen Park

Saturday, May 11

Contact: Isaac Sun at 360-930-5300, or

email: <u>isaac@thesuns.net</u>

Isaac will join the South Sound Area Kayakers on their Class-II paddle into Rich Passage. Launch time from Evergreen Park in Bremerton is not yet decided. Contact Isaac for more information.

Climb/Ski Mt. St. Helens in a Dress!

Sunday, May 12

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or

email: thehiker@comcast.net

It's been a Mother's Day weekend tradition for males and females to wear dresses (over your other clothes) while climbing on Mother's Day – to honor your mother. This has been going on since before the eruption (see the PWC Website calendar for a link with more information on this tradition).

This is a long day climb with almost 5000 feet of elevation gain and a good climb to do if you are thinking of larger mountains like Mt. Rainier later in the season. We'll climb to the summit and look into a semi-active volcano crater. It takes most people 5-8 hrs to climb to the crater rim and back. Route to be determined by road conditions. The summer and winter routes are both non-technical scrambles, however ice axe/self-arrest skills, or basic intermediate backcountry ski should be considered a must.

PWC General Meeting

Monday, May 13 at 7 pm

Contact: Shelley Fleming at 360-621-6167, or

email: (richelle.fleming@gmail.com

The monthly PWC General Meeting provides information on upcoming trips, trip reports from members, and a presentation of a trip or topic of interest to club members. The meeting starts at 7 pm at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship:

4418 Perry Ave NE Bremerton, WA 98310

Crevasse Rescue Classroom Session #1

Tuesday, May 14 at 6 pm

Contact: Dale Boyle at 360-792-1714, or

email: dboyle@web-o.net

This is a 6 pm evening class for those taking Dale's three-part crevasse rescue training May 14, 16, and 18. If the class is quite small, we will meet at Dale's house, but may need a larger venue if many sign up (so do so early). All three sessions are a single class. Persons missing the evening sessions will not be allowed to attend the on-mountain class May 18th. RSVP to Dale if interested.

Glacier Travel Equipment (bring to the second evening) - this is a "minimum" list; more equipment is OK.

- · Seat & Chest harness
- 3 carabineers. One locking is enough, but all three could be locking.
- 3 slings, each made of nylon webbing around 48 inches in circumference (24" long loop)
- 35 ft. 7mm perlon or Purcell Prussik set (Some systems, such as the Texas system, are not versatile and are poor for crevasse work).
- Pulley Prussik Minding preferred available at SMCgear.net or WesSpur.com
- Ice axe Optional:
- Extra pulley
- Snow anchors (Fluke, Pickett, etc.)

Crevasse Rescue Classroom Session #2

Thursday, May 16 at 6 pm

Contact: Dale Boyle at 360-792-1714, or

email: dboyle@web-o.net

This is day two of the classroom portion of Dale's crevasse rescue class. Please see day one for more information, gear, and restrictions.

Annual Dosewallips Car-Camping Trip

Friday, May 17-19

Contact: Joe and Kathy Weigel at 360-479-5116, or

email: kmweigel@comcast.net

Join Joe & Kathy Weigel & fellow PWCers for a fun-filled weekend of RV/car camping at Dosewallips State Park, located on the Hood Canal in Brinnon, WA. You won't have to cook Friday night as we'll walk across the road to the Geoduck Tavern for dinner. After dinner, we'll come back for a campfire.

Saturday, you can hike the local trails, bicycle around the campground or just relax & socialize or read a good book! Saturday night, bring your favorite dish to share at the potluck & bring something to grill for yourself. We'll enjoy another campfire & maybe even sing a song! If anyone is dayhiking in the area, feel free to stop by!!

Make your own campsite reservations well before they are all gone (this is Mother's Day Weekend, and the campground fills up early).

Crevasse Rescue / Glacier Travel Training

Saturday, May 18

Contact: Dale Boyle at 360-792-1714, or

email: dboyle@web-o.net

The date for this event is not yet fixed. Call Dale if interested in attending these sessions.

Dale plans to have two in-town sessions to review theory and practice of crevasse rescue, and then complete the training with a practical session, probably at a persistent cornice at Hurricane Ridge. The two didactic sessions are required in order to participate in the on-mountain training. See the 5/14 and 5/16 listings for classroom session dates.

Dale will update the PWC Website calendar entry when the dates and details firm up.

Climb Mount Ellinor & Ice Axe Arrest Practice

Sunday, May 19 at 7:30 am

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or

email: thehiker@comcast.net

Meet at the Bremerton Airport at 7:30 am. Climb Mt. Ellinor and practice or learn basic snow travel and ice axe self-arrest. We will drive to the available trailhead, hike to the base of the couloirs and practice individual self-arrest. Ascent will include the fundamentals of basic snow travel, and glissade practice. Great training for beginners and a good refresher trip for the experienced. Please contact Doug if you have never practiced self-arrest before to get an equipment list.

Anvil Rock (Mt Rainier) Ski/Snowshoe Overnight

Saturday, May 25-26

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or

email: thehiker@comcast.net

Details not available as of this newsletter. Please call Doug for more information.

Potluck

Friday, May 31 at 6:30 pm

Contact: Paul Dutky at 360-479-2683, or

Email: pdutky@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. Please bring your own beverage (BYOB).

Outings

The host for this month's potluck will be Paul Dutky at: 6018 Peregrine Court
Bremerton, WA 98312
Located in the Dockside community above Kitsap Lake.

Hike to Marmot Pass

Sunday, Jun 2 at 8 am

Contact: Barbra Haskell at 360-981-3077, or

email: b1haskell@earthlink.net

Hike the upper Big Quilcene River trail to Marmot Pass. The trail gains about 3500 feet in 5.3 miles, and is a great conditioning hike. A side trip to Buckhorn Mountain may be done. Contact Barbra for meet-up information.

Climb Mt. Shasta

Sunday, Jun 2-8

Contact: Tom Henning at 360-895-4018, or

email: khsbandmom@juno.com

Dates may change. Call Tom for more information.

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

Recurring (Weekly) after-work Green Mountain Hike

Wednesdays, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22 and 5/29 at 6:10 pm

Contact: Kitsap Hikers on Facebook email: kitsaphikers@groups.facebook.com

Weekly Wednesday after-work Green Mountain hikes will begin starting April 17th and continue throughout the summer and into fall. Be at the Gold Creek trailhead at 6:10 pm and be prepared to hike by 6:15. Bring headlamps on earlier spring and late fall hikes since it will be getting dark earlier at those times. We hike every Wednesday, rain or shine.

These hikes have been very popular 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 and as many as 40 hikers on past events. All are welcome to attend and share a snack or two at the summit.

A good place to rideshare from is the parking area at the Wildcat Lake County Park (not to be confused with Wildcat Trailhead) as a park-n-ride. It's free to park there. A Discover Pass is required at the Gold Creek trailhead.

DOGS - There are no restrictions as far as the DNR is concerned with hiking with dogs at Green Mountain. We like to see you folks show up with your pets. We would, however, like to ask you to try to keep them away from the picnic table at the summit while we are sharing food with one another.

To see images from last year's hikes, see the club website. The PWC website also has a detailed description of the Gold Creek Trail, including driving directions to the trailhead in their Field Guide.

The PWC sponsor for the Green Mountain Weekly hikes this year is Jay Thompson. He will try to make it to every hike, but please be prepared in the event that he cannot make it (these trips are typically not cancelled even if Jay cannot make it). For current details on each hike, please visit the Kitsap Hikers Facebook Page (you'll have to request access if you're not already a member). This is also a good place to locate carpools and other information.

If your question hasn't been answered above, please look at the PWC Website calendar for more info, go to the Kitsap Hikers Facebook Page and post your question there, or as a last resort, send Jay an email. jaythom1@hotmail.com

Walk/Jog Around Kitsap Lake

Saturdays: 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25 and 6/1 at 7:15 am

Contact: Kim Ragains at 360-550-0082

Start Saturday mornings off with a 4+ mile moderately fast walk/or slow jog around Kitsap Lake. Kim will continue this indefinitely as long as there is interest. Please call if you plan to join in.

Park behind the Red Apple Diner on Kitsap Way and meet outside the diner's front door. Be ready to start moving at 7:15 am. It takes an hour for the loop, or as long as it takes. Bring water and possibly money for breakfast afterward. We'll probably join up with other local activity groups.

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.

1) LAVA BEDS NATIONAL MONUMENT, CA

DATE: JUNE 17-23

LEADER: BOB WALDORF 360-792-1017

Robwaldorf@comcast.net

2) COEUR D'ALENE, ID

DATE: JULY 21 - 27

LEADER: DAWN VOKALI 360-871-5754

Violetsmama8902@gmail.com

3) BEND, OR

DATE: AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 15 LEADER: BOB BROWN 360-569-2878

Skipatrol10@hotmail.com

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4) 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

Extreme Day Hike

June 28 - 29 (Tentative Dates)

Contact: David Bovde at 360-692-9325.

theboyde@aol.com

David will once again be doing the 45-mile hike from North Fork Quinault to Lake Mills via Low Divide as an extreme day hike. The date of this 45-mile day hike will be dependent upon the snowpack and trail conditions. We will start late on a Friday night and hike all night and through the day Saturday until we reach the other end.

This trip requires long term planning because if you want to go, you might need time to get in shape! Contact David if you are interested or want more information.

Grand Canyon Backpack Trip

Sept. 1 - 6 (Tentative Dates)

Contact: David Boyde at 360-692-9325, or

email: theboyde@aol.com

The hike will be a 6-day, 5-night backpack in the Grand Canyon with several routes under consideration (3 North Rim, 4 South Rim). David will try for a larger group permit (up to 11 people). There are currently 10 people interested. Contact David for more information.

Backpack 1000 Acre Meadow

Sept. 14-20

Contact: Doug Savage at 360-981-9333, or

email: thehiker@comcast.net

The 1000 Acre Meadow is one of the hidden gems of the Olympic National Park. It is one of the best and remote alpine areas in the heart of the Olympics. Doug tried four times over the last 15 years to find the old trail leading to the meadow, and finally found it in 2011 on a day hike up from Dose Meadows. This time he plans to hike to the meadow in two days (about 19 miles) and spend two days exploring the meadow. There a number of peaks that can be climbed, including Sentinel Peak, Sentinel's Sister, Mt. Claywood, Mt. Fromme (at Hayden Pass) and Wellesley Peak in the basin. The trip will last six days, and is about 40 miles round trip.

No ice axe or ropes are required. Contact Doug for further details.

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

Trip Reports and Photos





Rich Passage Kayak (Mar 24). Photos from Isaac Sun



Trip Reports and Photos



Elwha Backpack (Mar 16-17). Photos from Barbara Haskell



Trip Reports and Photos







Griff Creek Trail (Apr 21).

Club Business

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. Craig & Masako Mecklenburg will be the May hosts.

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

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

April Meeting Notes:

Gary Stringer won a Flex Skillet, and Tom Rogers won the book "Journeys of a Lifetime" as door prizes 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 vmnotbf@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 vmnotbf@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.

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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. Sene Peninsula Wilderness Club P.O. Box 323 Bremerton, WA 98337-0070	d a check or money order to:	
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