

# Mariners' News

## Dock Talk

by Kori Ward, Marina Manager

### Fishing License 2009

Your fishing license must be renewed prior to **Wednesday, April 1**. Please be sure to bring in your past license; this will expedite the process. Washington State law requires all recreational Dungeness crab fishers, regardless of age, to have a current catch-record card and Puget Sound crab endorsement. In addition to knowing and following the fishing rules, one of the most important responsibilities crabbers have as stewards of the resource is complying with catch-record card requirements. All people who fail to carry and maintain a catch-record card are subject to a citation which carries a fine of \$80.

Fishers age 15 years and older also must have a fishing license. Crab fishers 14 years and younger are not required to have a fishing license.

All crab fishers will receive two crab catch-record cards when they receive a Puget Sound crab endorsement. Information from catch-record cards must be reported by **Tuesday, September 15** following the summer fishery and **Friday, January 15** following the winter fishery. Information must be reported even if the cardholder did not go fishing or catch any crab during each season. Catch-record card information can be reported online or completed cards can be dropped off at a Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) regional office or mailed to: WDFW, Fish Program Catch Record Card Office, 600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091.

### Visiting Yacht Clubs and Rendezvous 2009

The reservations are flowing in and our weekends are filling up quickly. The Yacht Clubs are blocking out weekends for their annual cruise to Port Ludlow. We currently have 26 yacht clubs that have chosen Port Ludlow as a weekend destination.

- **Friday–Saturday, March 13–14**, Navy Yacht Club of Everett
- **Monday, March 30**, North Olympic Sail and Power
- **Friday–Saturday, April 10–11**, Kingston Yacht Club
- **Friday–Sunday, April 17–19**, Tollycraft Boating Club, Galilean Yacht Club
- **Friday–Sunday, May 22–24**, Poulsbo Yacht Club, Rob Rothe Rendezvous
- **Friday–Saturday, May 29–30**, Nauticat Rendezvous

- **Thursday–Saturday, June 4–6**, Nordhaven Rendezvous
- **Friday–Sunday, June 12–14**, Cougar Yacht Club, Port Madison Yacht Club
- **Friday–Saturday, June 19–20**, Islander Sail-In, Everett Yacht Club
- **Friday–Sunday, June 26–28**, Mukilteo Yacht Club, Edmonds Corinthian Yacht Club
- **Friday–Sunday, July 10–12**, Grady White Rendezvous, Everett Coast Guard Auxiliary
- **Friday–Sunday, July 24–26**, Bellevue Yacht Club
- **Saturday, August 1**, Corinthian Yacht Club Seattle
- **Friday–Sunday, August 14–16**, Fox Island Yacht Club, Carver Cruisers
- **Friday–Sunday, August 21–23**, Perry Rendezvous
- **Saturday–Sunday, August 29–30**, Multi-hull Association
- **Friday–Sunday, September 4–6**, Olympic Yacht Club
- **Friday–Saturday, September 11–12**, Ranger Tug Rendezvous
- **Friday–Sunday, September 18–20**, Dagmar Yacht Club

The Marina staff and I are looking forward to another safe and successful boating season.

## U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Classes

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary (USCG), Flotilla 41, will offer two public courses from its basic skills series in **March**. They will be “Tides and Current” on **Monday, March 9**, and “Weather” on **Monday, March 30**. Each will be from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Fire Station on Oak Bay Road.

These courses, from the USCG boating skills series being offered this spring, are hands-on, and emphasize skills needed for Northwest boating.

The fee will be \$10 per person per course. The “boating skills and seamanship” book can be purchased as a reference, if desired, for \$15.

The course “About Boating Safely” (ABS) will also be offered in **March**. It is an eight-hour course given in two sessions, **Monday, March 16, and Wednesday, March 18**, 6:00–10:00 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Fire Station.

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ABS is an introductory course with an emphasis on boating safely in the Pacific Northwest. Participants will learn the basics of protecting and handling their boat, trailering, aids to navigation, locks and dams, safety equipment and other topics. Federal and Washington State requirements for boating will also be presented. Graduates meet the requirements for the Washington State boater's education card.

The course costs \$35 including class materials. To register for courses, contact Dan Johnston at 437-2368, e-mail: [danj@cablespeed.com](mailto:danj@cablespeed.com).

## Sailmaking Workshop Announced

Go spend a week down on the water in Port Hadlock and learn the basics of sailmaking while constructing sails for a student built wooden boat. You'll learn to measure the rig, work from the designer's plans, design the aerodynamic efficient foil shape, layout, cutting, sewing, and handwork—all are a part of the art and science of the sailmaking process. Learn all this and much more while building sails during this week-long workshop taught by Sean Rankins, owner of Northwest Sails.

The workshop takes place the week of **Monday, March 30 through Friday, April 3**, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. The course takes place at the Northwest Sails loft at the Northwest School of Wooden Boatbuilding Campus. The cost is \$595, including a \$100 registration fee.

For more information visit the website at [www.nwboat-school.org](http://www.nwboat-school.org). You can download the registration form or call the school at 385-4948 to register over the phone.



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