



THE WHALE'S TALE

SAN JUANDERERS CHAPTER



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“SEA-LABRATION” June 2009 Hoodsport, Washington

Sixteen coaches (Counting 2 new members) and one guest rig showed up at Rest-A-While RV Park, to help celebrate the sea. We did everything but “rest awhile”! The games started, as soon as we left our driveways, with a Car Scavenger Hunt where attendees looked for hay trucks, motorcycle cops, convertibles, purple trucks, etc., etc. Frank and Patty Kukuk had the sharpest eyes and found the most. Many of us arrived a day early and were able to pick oysters and hunt the elusive claims Thursday morning. We kick off our “official” activities with the Largest Oyster contest and Mary and Jeff Everest found it – a whopping 10.25 inches! Be sure to ask them what prize that oyster brought them (wiggle eyebrows) – we hope they enjoyed it all weekend long! For dinner, many of us walked across the street and enjoyed local seafood.

The weekend held many delicious treats from the sea --- raw oysters from the beach, pan-

fried oysters, tempura oysters, oyster burgers, oyster stew, oyster omelets, oyster hash browns, BBQ'd oysters.... I think Pres. Tom Stewart sampled it all! Then there was the crab, clams, shrimp, calamari, mussels, fish, gummy candy sharks and fish....

Friday morning, our hosts sent the group into Hoodsport to look for “Prize Coupons” – three were hidden but only two were found. In the afternoon, we had the Starfish Scavenger Hunt where our host’s wrist –tied participants into groups of three and sent them scurrying around the park looking for all types of “sea” things, from Charlie the Tuna to shell necklaces to coconut heads. Our guests, Jeff, Dawn and Kayleigh Robinson won the event.

Then came the Ship Wreck Social Hour and Progressive Seafood Dinner. Ooooo-la-la! You should have been there! What awesome costumes!

We had pirates that rival Johnny Depp; pirates that hung their pet parrots; survivors from the U. S. Minnow and Gilligan's Island for found a treasure and shared their gold coins with us; some were ship-wrecked so long they had to wear leaves; some washed up with oars, orange life jackets and nautical charts (a lot of good those charts did); one was even in their pajamas (in bed with the captain, so the story went). Congratulations to Mary Everest and Al Williamson, voted best dressed by their peers. Everyone got into the spirit of the event and we thank each and every one of you! (Did that rum punch have anything to do with this success?)

Our Progressive Dinner had to be moved indoors due to cold gusty winds that sent white caps slamming into the bulkhead. Again, everyone went above and beyond in keeping with our seafood theme – shrimp and crab appetizers; fruit and veggies; salads with all type of goodies in them; seafood chowder and garlic bread (chicken for our land lubber friends); rich, luscious desserts – one was even a beach scene with blue water, sand, umbrellas... In the evening, before getting involved with “Hand and Foot” card games, we learned a new group game--- Card Bingo. More “sea-themed” prizes were passed out.

Saturday morning found us with origami frogs in a Frog Jumping Contest. Was that Patty Kukuk's frog that beat out all the women?

Someone (thing?) grabbed the toe of Erik Ward's frog and tripped him; thus, Doug Mumaw's frog won. These two hoppers were so good we had to pull up a second table for them to land on – they flew off the end track, leaving all the others behind, mired in the mud. Then everyone went clam digging in buckets of styrofoam peanuts, hunting for tiny shells. Each numbered shell was turned in for a small prize.

The afternoon brought pirates' Golf to the schedule. Nine challenging holes, played with “hole-in-one!” The best score, 49, was shot by Diane Mumaw and Erik Ward beat out all the other men. Several members got a good work-out with a side hike to the Cushman Lake area. Our Social Hour featured BBQ'd oysters, provided by the RV Park, and more delicious seafood treats and smoked trout. Sunday morning brought us more sunshine, sea breezes and coffee, donuts and fruit before we packed up and headed home.

Birthdays:

Laurie Dale – 25th
 Mary Everest – 16th
 Bob Kane – 1st
 John Phillips – 5th
 Don Semrau – 21st
 Judy Stern – 5th
 Fred Weidling – 23rd
 Scott Ziegler – 29th

Anniversaries:

Aoyama – 2nd
 Barrett – 26th
 Bathurst – 27th
 Cronin – 15th
 Keller – 8th
 Ronning – 9th
 Waddell – 18th

Thank you EVERYONE who came, watched,
took pictures and played – without you, it wouldn't have been so
much fun! We'll see you down the road....

Sandy and Gary Schreiner and Cheryl and Tom Rodewald, Hosts



Meeting Minutes.

President Tom Stewart called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM on June 5th, 2009 at the Rest-A-While RV Resort in Hoodspport, Washington. There were 17 coaches in attendance.

Presidents Report:

Tom thanked Gray and Sandy Schreiner and Tom and Cheryl Rodewald who planned the outing. He also thanked the planners for the special weather which reached into the 90's one day. Tom and Cathy Sullivan, our new members, were introduced to the group. They had met some of our members at the Puerto Penasco Rally.

Secretary

There was a motion to accept the previous minutes as published; it was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$ 1,206.19

Membership/savings: \$ 430.44

Charity: \$ 1,508.09

Jane mentioned that the Charity fund was getting rather high and we should spend some of the money. She will contact Cheryl Swartz for ideas.

Membership:

We are doing well with our memberships. Roster changes go to Jim Hoffman.


Sunshine:

Tom talked to Ken Barrett and he was making progress. Jim Mathews had gall bladder surgery and had one of the worst cases his doctor had seen. He is still receiving chemo treatments and will be changing his residency to Arizona. Dan Harper has his coach and car home, but he is still on crutches. There was a problem with his brake being left on.

Merchandise:

There are new prices and order numbers on our website.

Charity: There were no updates.



Newsletter:

Eileen is still working on the newsletter, but this will probably be the last year. Articles need to be in by the 20th of the month.

Outing and Vice President's report:

Outings - Tom gave the outing information in Ken Barrett's absence. He told us they are all full for this year, but some of the parks have other spots that we can use if they are called directly and to tell them that you are part of the San Juanderers group. There are also the waiting lists. Patti Kukuk told us that will be a German theme and German food for the Icicle River outing in August. Also that it will be a first come, first serve for theater tickets. Mary Everest told the group that there will be a project for the women at the Long Beach outing in July, and they need to bring a glue gun.

State Rally - Tom Atkinson is starting to put together the vendors for the State Rally in September. Since the San Juanderers will be in charge of the parking, we will need to be there two days early. Tom will scope out the area and do some preliminary planning with site maps.

Northwest Regional Rally -A committee at Northwest Regional went through the comment forms and it was actually rated well. Dianne Mumaw and the club did a great job.

Show & Tell -There will be hotdogs and pop Friday for the coaches that have been invited (Hendersons, Wards and Jacksons) and that need to be there on that day. Saturday there will be lunch for all who attend. Roy Robinson is doing okay in this poor economy with the help of the San Juanderers who purchased coaches and have others who are interested.

Ex-President's committee: No report

Old Business: None

New Business:

Dianne brought up the subject of full outings and the problems that incur when people sign up but do not actually show up. Since we do not normally pay in advance this can be a monetary problem for the club and, of course, may not allow those on the waiting list to attend. The group discussed various alternatives at length, such as a fine for non-emergencies, prepaying, etc., but the item was tabled for future discussions.

Another item was brought up that also will also be discussed later... members that continue being with the club without having a coach. The bylaws will be reviewed.

Tom also brought a memory book for review.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Those celebrating in June were acknowledged.

Good of the Order:

There was a motion to adjourn; it was seconded and approved with pirate AWRS in keeping with the theme. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Rodewald, Secretary

*******Lost and Found at Hoodsport*******


Dianne Mumaw is missing a long regular envelope of family pictures. She last saw this at the June outing.

If you have found this or have an idea where it might be...please let her know!!

Sunshine Report

Sharon Atkinson is doing well after recent surgery.

Congratulations to Erik Ward on his retirement from Boeing after 43 years! Now he can start traveling in his new coach!



**Outing at Long Beach, WA.
An Ocean Adventure
July 10-12
(19 of 22 coaches arriving on July 8)**

Where: Anderson's RV Park, 1400 – 138th St. Long Beach, WA 98631
(Located 3 ½ miles north of downtown Long Beach)
Phone: (800) 645-6795

Caravan: **For those arriving on Wednesday the 8th We will meet at Hawks Prairie for breakfast at 10:00 A.M. This is Exit #111 at Lacy. We will leave after breakfast in groups of five so we don't all arrive in Long Beach at the same time.**

Best Route: Travel south past Olympia, go west towards Aberdeen. At Montesano head south on #107 to #101. Take #101 south through Raymond to Long Beach.

Outing Plans: Detailed itineraries will be handed out at the Wednesday "Happy Hour" (Upon arrival for those coming on the 9th and 10th)

Members to Bring: Games, chairs and blankets for beach, glue guns with glue sticks, large brown bag or other non-see-through bag, roasting sticks/forks for marshmallows, kite if you have one, **potluck item with serving utensil for Friday dinner.**

Your hosts are Janet and Gene Bastys (425-359-3535) and Ellen and Ted Hinds (360-961-8990)

We look forward to your arrival for a fun weekend!!! Please call if you have questions.



2009 San Juanderers' Outing Schedule

July 10-12, 2009

Andersen's RV Park, 1400 138th ST. Long Beach, WA 98631
Tel: (800) 645-6795

Hosts: Gene & Janet Bastys, Ted & Ellen Hinds **(Must make your own Reservations)** Please send your check of \$35.00 for the first nights deposit made out to Anderson RV Park and mail it to Janet Bastys, 8228 53rd DR NE, Marysville, WA 98270. Also indicate if you are coming a day early on July 9th. Only 20 spots are reserved and the deadline to make your reservations is May 10th.

Sign-Ups as of 6/27/09: Barrett, Davenport, Henderson, Ward, Kukuk, Stern, Cox, Mumaw, Bastys, Stewart, Hinds, Ziegler, Schreiner, Miner, Majewski, Aoyama, Atkinson, Stapleton, Everest, Jackson, Paulson

Total: 21 Coaches

July, 19-24 2009

Grand National Rally (GNR), Forest City, Iowa.

Hosts: Winnebago Industries. **(Must make your own Reservations)**

August 13-16, 2009

Icicle River RV Resort, 7305 Icicle Road, Leavenworth, WA 98826
(509) 548-5420

Hosts: Frank & Patti Kukuk, Dick & Joyce Paulson **(Must make your own Reservations)**

Sign-Ups as of 6/27/09: Kukuk, Paulson, Barrett, Davenport, Ward, Jackson, Stern, Cox, Stapleton, Everest, Waldron, Mumaw, Nardinger, Phillips, Bastys, Stewart, Ziegler, Schreiner, Miner, Majewski, Hinds, Williamson, Archer, Funk, Chamberlain, Rodewald, Williamson, Lowe
Total: 28 coaches

Sept. 17-20, 2009

Washington State Rally, Lynden. (Whatcom County Fairgrounds)

Hosts: Wash-I-Bago State Club **(Must make your own reservations)**

Sept. 29-Oct. 4, 2009

Norsk Hostfest, Minot, North Dakota

Host: WIT About 15 rigs are going. **(Must make your own reservations).**

Oct. 15-18, 2009

***(Note New Date)**

Cannon Beach RV Resort, 345 Elk Creek RD, Cannon Beach, OR 97110 Tel: (800) 847-2231

Hosts: Ken & Eileen Barrett, Homer & Karen Davenport **(Must make your own Reservations)**

Sign-Ups as of 6/27/09 Barrett, Davenport, Jackson, Ward, Kukuk, Stern, Cox, Stapleton, Waddell, Waldron, Mumaw, Bastys, Phillips, Stewart, Schreiner, Miner, Majewski, Rodewald, Williamson, Loomis, Henderson, Fagan, Lowe, Atkinson, Chamberlain, Goehring

Total: 26 coaches

November 18, 2009 Luncheon: 11:00 AM Royal Fork, 2300 Freeway DR, Mt. Vernon, WA.
Tel: (360) 424-4044

Hosts: Dave & Joan Ronning

Sign-Ups as of 6/27/09: Ronning, Barrett, Ward, Jackson, Stern, Cox, Waldron, Paulson, Schreiner, Miner, Rodewald, Bastys, Henderson, Atkinson, Hinds, Williamson, Ball, Soper, Mumaw, Archer, Patterson, Stewart, Cronin, Everest, Chamberlain, Goehring
Total: 52 Individuals

December 4-6, 2009 Fidalgo Bay RV Resort. 4701 Fidalgo Bay RD, Anacortes, WA 98221
Annual Christmas Party
(800)727-5478.)

Hosts: Officers. **(Must make your own reservations)**

Sign-Ups as of 6/27/09: Barrett, Davenport, Ward, Stern, Cox, Stapleton, Waddell, Waldron, Staff, Bastys, Rodewald, Hinds, Loomis, Cronin, Henderson, Everest, Mumaw, Atkinson, Archer, Ronning, Jackson (Dinner Only), Ball, Stewart, Paulson, Williamson, Miner, Goehring (Dinner Only), Schreiner Total: 27 Coaches Total: 58 Individuals

- **Note New Dates for Cannon Beach Outing starting on October 15th and ending on October 18th. This was changed because half the members who signed up are going to Norsk Hostfest and would not have returned in time for the outing.**