



Inside news from your Port of Anacortes

A monthly newsletter from your Port of Anacortes

June 2010

Calendar of Events

Thursday, June 3, 7 p.m.

Regular Commission Meeting
Commission Meeting Room

Monday, June 7, 9 a.m.

Special Commission Meeting
to discuss business incubators
Commission Meeting Room

June 10 - 13

Nordic Tug Rendezvous
Cap Sante Boat Haven

Saturday, June 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Fly-in, Anacortes Airport

Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m.

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Anacortes Fly-in Saturday, June 12

Back in town this year is the Anacortes Fly-in, scheduled on alternating years in cooperation with the Port of Skagit and Bayview Airport.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the public will be invited to view aircraft and educational displays. A lucky few will even have opportunity to take a short flight.

The event is sponsored by the Anacortes Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association and the Port of Anacortes. Kiwanis Sunrisers will offer breakfast and lunch menus on-site.



Discover the "treasures" of the 2nd Annual Anacortes Work Boat Races on Saturday, July 17 following the downtown Shipwreck Day. In addition to exciting races, be prepared for pirates, music and food.

Work Boat Races July 17 on Guemes Channel

Scheduled again this year in conjunction with the Shipwreck Day are the Anacortes Work Boat Races. The races, held on the Guemes Channel at the end of Commercial Avenue, start at 4 p.m. following the close of the downtown Shipwreck Day event.

In addition to races, the free event will feature pirate competition (children and adults), music and a chowder challenge sponsored by the NW Career & Technical Academy Marine Skills Center. There will also be opportunity to make a donation to the Anacortes Sea Scouts

organization.

More racing boats are needed. Those interested in participating as racers are encouraged to contact John Hachey, 299-1829; or visit www.portofanacortes.com. Click on the mermaid to open a race participation form.

Series of free marina performances starts July 3

Beginning July 3, there will separate daytime and evening entertainment options.

Scheduled to begin July 23 is the Port's 2010 Summer Concert Series at the marina. Once again this year, the Port will partner with the Sno-

homish Artist Guild to bring a variety of musical groups for four free Friday night concerts. They will be held at the north end of the marina, due to the Anthony's project.

On weekend afternoons, there will be a variety of musicians,

entertainers and artists performing at the CSBH Central Pier.

Free performances are scheduled from noon to 2 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday, through Labor Day.

All are encouraged to bring a lunch and come on down!

Boat Haven a center of festivals, events

Boating Season Kickoff



A 2010 Boating Season Opening event at Cap Sante Boat Haven's Central Pier included sea shanties performed by Frank Orr, Eric Johnson, Cynthia Richardson and Dr. Bill Testerman.

Waterfront Festival



Again this year, the Anacortes Chamber of Commerce Waterfront Festival included a "Quick 'n Dirty" boat race. The winning boat (above) was built and "demonstrated" by Strandberg Construction.

Passage Maker Trawler Fest



Hundreds of participants at the 2010 Passage Maker Trawler Fest "dropped anchor" again at Cap Sante Boat Haven, providing a welcome boost to the Anacortes economy.

Jason Chandler marks 15 years of service

Among three Port of Anacortes employees marking 15 years of service this year is Operations and Maintenance Manager Jason Chandler.

Chandler, a native of Sedro-Woolley, joined the Port of Anacortes staff as a maintenance mechanic in November 1995. The former heavy equipment mechanic and welder was subsequently promoted twice before taking his current role about three years ago.

Chandler and a crew of four others are responsible for a wide range of work at Port facilities including Cap Sante Boat Haven, marine terminals, airport, rental buildings and rental properties.

He has seen dramatic changes at the Port over the course of the past 15 years, including environmental cleanup and improvements in and around the public marina. In addition, the Port's Transit Shed Event Center is an increasingly popular facility for community events.

Among the most memorable seasons in his career were the consecutive summers when Port staff demolished dozens of boat houses at Cap Sante Boat Haven.

"We went gung ho for two summers on that

project, working long hours, long days," he recalls.

The variety of assignments is part of the appeal of his job.

"One day I might be doing electrical repairs in the field, and the next I might be working with a stevedore company on a heavy lift project," he said. "The past years have been great. I enjoy the work and I work with a great staff."

Chandler and his wife Jennifer have three children.



Port Operations and Maintenance Manager Jason Chandler.

High school sailors ply local waters

The community is invited to support the Anacortes Sailing Team on Saturday, June 5 as they engage in a 50-lap "Sailathon" off the point of Cap Sante.

Sponsors are being sought for each sailor, with a goal of \$5,000 for the purchase of new boats. Tax deductible pledges can be made to the Anacortes Parks Foundation, the club's "umbrella" organization.

There will be food served at the kiosk at Rotary Park during the event. Sponsors of \$500 or more will be recognized for their gifts. A raffle will feature many items, including the grand prize of a wine and cheese sail aboard "Black Pearl," gifted by Mike Beemer and Lynette Brower.

Please call Sandra Russell at 293-6105 or Wendy Bents Patterson 293-8990 if you would like to help. Your gift will be appreciated.



Members of the Anacortes Sailing team travel on many weekends, sailing on a schedule that includes competition in communities from Bellingham to Bainbridge.

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