



2017 Port Townsend Opening Day Parade

Location: Port Townsend Bay and Northwest Maritime Center

Date: 6 May 2017

Schedule and Activities:

The Port Townsend Opening Day Parade celebrates getting out on the water regardless of size of craft or method of propulsion.

Hosted by the Port Townsend Yacht Club and the Northwest Maritime Center, all boating organizations and boaters are invited to participate. The organizing committee asks that all participants RSVP so that the organizing team can better meet the needs of those participating. Individuals who are not formally connected to a group should contact the organizers directly (see RSVP below).

- The parade begins at "12ish."
- Small craft gather to the SW of City Dock at the foot of Madison Street by 12:10 PM for a 12:15 departure.
- Larger boats gather west of the Washington State Ferry Terminal off the Port Townsend Boat Haven. They depart at 12:30 PM (after the Washington State Ferry has undocked).
- The route is along the Port Townsend Waterfront, terminating at the Maritime Center Pier.
- The Blessing of the Fleet takes place about 1:45 PM at the Maritime Center Pier.
- NOTE: Wind and sea conditions may impact the timing of the parade and the level of participation. Each skipper is responsible for the safety of their vessel and crew. Designated safety boats will be in the area.

Launch Ramp and Parking:

Trailer launching at Boat Haven Marina (use fee \$10/day – annual pass \$100)

Hand launching at the Northwest Maritime Center or at Point Hudson.

In addition to boat-trailer parking at Boat Haven, parking near the NW Maritime Center is available in the lot beyond SEA Marine at the end of Jackson Street.

Tides: 8:48 am 2.6 ft
2:54 pm 6.1 ft

Food and Shelter: Port Townsend awaits.

Things to See and Do:

Although the parade can be viewed from any waterfront location along Water Street, the reviewing stand will be on the Northwest Maritime Center Pier. An announcer will describe the boats and organizations as they pass, and the blessing of the fleet will take place from the pier.

RSVP: DebWilliams, PTYC Fleet Captain: fleet@ptyc.net
Chelcie Liu, Small Boat Contact: smallboats@ptyc.net

Boat Information for Opening Day Parade
(To be used by the Parade announcer)

Boat Name:

Boat Length:

Type of boat:

Owners:

Affiliation to PTYC or other groups in the parade?

Any interesting history or story about the boat or owners?

Special guests on the boat today?

If desired, insert or send photo to help with identifying a boat not familiar to the announcer:

Send to:

Deb Williams, PTYC Fleet Captain: fleet@ptyc.net

Or by mail: PTYC Fleet Captain, PO Box 75, Port Townsend, WA 98368

Small boat participants please cc Chelcie Liu, Small Boat Contact: smallboats@ptyc.net