

WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Footloose Sailing Association

Leave your disability at the dock



Surprise proudly displays her new Footloose Burgee

At The Tiller

Ahoy sailors! We had a great 2018 season with the Blake Island overnight and 10 daysails out of north Leschi on Lake Washington. We had the annual mid-winter party this year on January 19, 2019 at the Mercer Island Episcopal Church with great food, lots of camaraderie and 24 attending. A big thank you to Emmanuel Episcopal !!! We are already into our sailing season (continued on Page 2)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 31 - Daysail
- July 21 – 23 – Blake Island 2 night camping trip
- August 10 - Daysail
- August 24 – Daysail
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THANKS ROTARY

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Footloose is an all volunteer 501(c)(3) organization funded entirely by donations.

At The Tiller (cont'd)

with a total of 38 sailor-participants and 24 volunteers participating in our first 4 events. There are 5 daysails left as well as the Blake Island adventure scheduled for July 21,22,23 (note: 2 nights, cost \$90/person).

Blake Island requires reservations (contact info@footloosedisabledsailing.org).

I'm looking forward to more fun and safe sailing this summer!

Please consider supporting Footloose. We are a 100% volunteer 501-C3 organization which means that your donations are tax deductible. A big THANK YOU goes out to our volunteers, donors and businesses that help Footloose because without them Footloose wouldn't exist.

You can keep up with Footloose on our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FootlooseSailingAssociation/?ref=bookmarks> or at our website footloosedisabledsailing.org.

fair winds,
Captain Bob



Footloose Access Dinghy showing the Racers how it's done.

Rotary Christens Inspiration



Many members of Rotary International joined Footloose on the June 15, 2019 sailday to officially christen "Inspiration", the boat Rotary recently purchased for Footloose. After finding the fiberglass hull would not break the champagne bottle, a metal fitting was found to break it over and the ceremony was completed.

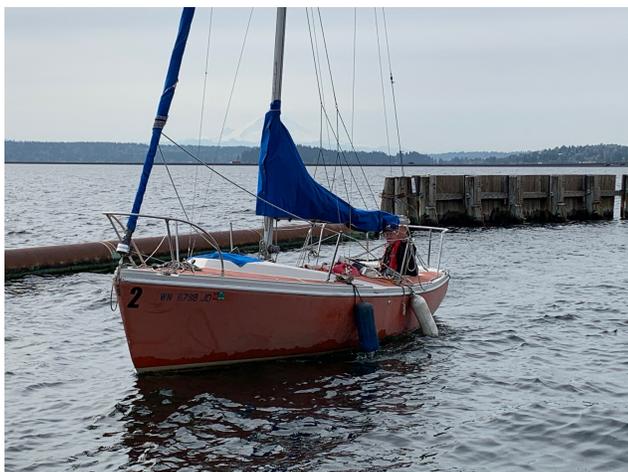
Raising the funds for the boat was spear-headed by Joe Bozick, a member of both Footloose and Rotary. Fortunately, although he is suffering from declining health, he was able to attend the ceremony and see the completion of the project.

The following Rotaries contributed to the Inspiration effort:

- Shoreline Rotary
- Alderwood Terrace Rotary
- Edmonds Daybreakers
- Magnolia Rotary
- Mercer Island Rotary
- University District Rotary
- Rotary District 6030

MANY THANKS FROM FOOTLOOSE!

Klikitat moves on to her next adventure



Gordon and Klikitat leave Leschi

The acquisition of Inspiration meant it was time to retire Klikitat from the Footloose fleet. In early April a two-pronged attack was launched to find a new home for the boat. An ad was placed on Craigslist and 6 non-profits were contacted to see if they were interested.

No luck. There were several people interested in buying Klikitat but either they had no place to moor her or no way to transport her. All of the non-profits were not interested. With time running out before the delivery of Inspiration and the start of the new season, Plan B was investigated, scrapping the boat. One boat recycler initially expressed interest but then went quiet. Scrapping, which included haul out, washing, transportation and dump fees, was estimated to cost \$1,000.

But before sending her to her final burial a mass mailing to Footloose members was implemented. At this point her fortunes changed as Gordon said he was interested. He motored her out of Leschi on April 25th, two days before Inspiration moved in. Klikitat has found a new home north of Everett.



Treasurer Required

Jeff Wasserman served as Footloose’s Treasurer for several years and did a great job. However, as he has now moved to Hawaii he is unable to continue in the position.

Footloose is therefore in the need for a Treasurer. If you or anyone you know are interested in volunteering with Footloose in this position please let us know. CPA registration is not required, although it would obviously be an asset.

Our budget is not large so there is not a lot of paperwork, but we do need someone to keep track of the funds and pay the bills.



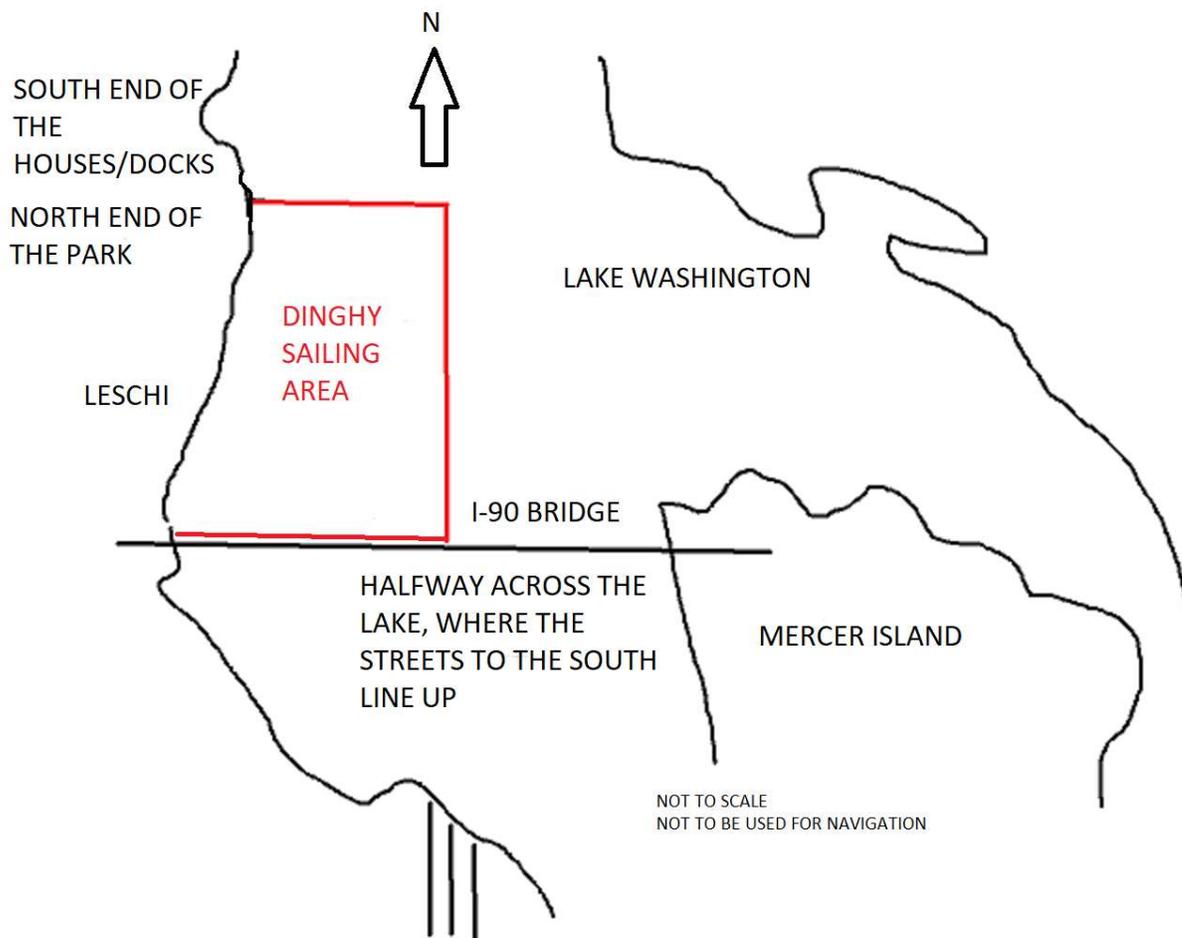
People gather for the Christening

SAILING AREAS

While Footloose encourages people to get out on the water and enjoy the freedom of sailing, some limits to the sailing areas must be set. This is for everyone’s safety and also to ensure that all participants get their share of the sailing time.

The larger boats, the Columbias and the Catalina, can sail wherever they like, provided they are back in the area of the marina after two hours. They are encouraged to stay within eyesight of the marina so that the Dockmaster can keep track of them.

The Access dinghies and Martins are restricted to the area shown in the drawing shown below. This insures they can be reached easily by the chase boat in the event of lack of wind or an incident.



SET-UP DAY – 2019

Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with Set-up Day. Everything went smoothly and we remembered to put the kill switch key on the chase boat.



Yes, that’s John holding the mast up, in his usual position in the middle of the action.

For more information about Footloose

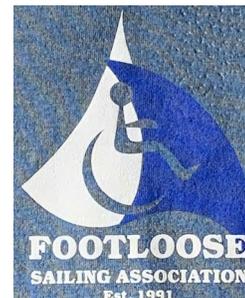
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Footloose Tee Shirts

Footloose Tee Shirts are available to purchase at each sail day. The price is only \$20 so please buy one and show your support for Footloose.



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Bruce and crew

Please forward this Newsletter to anyone you know that may be interested in sailing or volunteering with, or donating to, Footloose.



Footloose 2019 Sailing Schedule

July 13 – daysail

July 21 – 23 – Blake Island two night camping trip – by reservation only

August 10 – daysail

August 24 – daysail

September 7 – daysail

September 21 – last daysail

October 5 – Shut down. If bad weather, October 6 – no sailing

