

# Lagoon Point Newsletter

December 2003

Next regular open Board meeting: 6:30 pm, Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> 2004, at the Greenbank Clubhouse

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## Our Christmas Party

The Lagoon Point Christmas Party, December 6<sup>th</sup>, was a lot of fun. The food was outstanding and the decorations were really beautiful. Our sincere thanks go out to Dan Williamson, Mary Hatch and all the others who volunteered to make this party a success.

## Jetty Permit Status – More Progress

Island County approved our Jetty Repair Project on October 21, 2003. Washington State Fisheries gave its approval December 8<sup>th</sup>, and issued the HPA (Hydraulic Project Approval). The Army Corps of Engineers has finished the first phase of its review with a favorable recommendation within the 16 July to October work window. We await final approval and permit issuance.

## Jetty Assessment Payment Status – Over 78%

As of December 18<sup>th</sup>, we have received over \$80,000 of the \$101,985 approved for the Jetty Repair Assessment. 331 owners have paid, 297 have paid in full; 28 are making payments per the membership approved options, 55 are delinquent.

If you have not yet paid this assessment, please do so at the earliest opportunity. As a reminder, in accordance with Article II, Section 2 of our newly approved bylaws, a quarterly 5% penalty on the unpaid balance will be applied, beginning January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2004.



## Lagoon Point Dredging Funding Committee Report

The Dredging Funding Committee gave a preliminary presentation of draft funding resolution proposals to the LPIC Board of Directors in late November. After making some refinements, the committee will meet again with the Board and then send the approved proposal to the LPIC attorney for legal review. The Dredging Funding Committee will meet with the attorney to discuss the legal review and report back to the board. The committee will then prepare a presentation, mail-out and meeting schedule for discussion and consideration by the lot owners.

## Waterway Committee – by Bert Pack

Bob Bennett and Bert Pack secured the Stiber dock for the winter. It will need some repair in the spring before launching. Also, Bob & Bert oiled all the locks, shut off the water to the standpipe near the launch and closed the clapper valve that controls the tide flow into Lot A. However, quite a flow of water is still getting by, which means some kind of obstruction is keeping the clapper valve partially open. The cleanout will need to be done at low tide by someone who wants to descend to the bottom of the manhole and do battle with the crustaceans.



**Watch your speed - The speed limit throughout Lagoon Point is 20 MPH**

The Island County Sheriff's Department is enforcing it 24/7. Please caution your visitors as well.

The Island County Sheriff's Department is now aggressively enforcing our 20 MPH speed limit. Patrols and speed checks may be seen anywhere within Lagoon Point, at any time day or night. This includes Smugglers Cove Road as well. So who's been speeding? Well, all of us from time to time – some more than others. Visitors, guests, contractors, weekenders and full time residents have all been observed driving a wee bit faster than 20 mph. Give the kids, pets and deer a brake. Relax and slow down to the pace of the island.

## IN REVIEW – by Andy Messer

As 2003 comes to a close, let us review the changes that have occurred in the last two years. There were a number of significant accomplishments, representing a lot of hard work by members of the 2001, 2002 and 2003 LPIC Board of Directors as well as numerous other LPIC members. A lot of work remains. We live in a very special place. With all of us working together we can keep it that way.

### Major Accomplishments of 2002

**April 2002:** The 1977 Lagoon Point Property Owners Resolution was amended to provide that voting on maintenance and assessment issues shall be by lot, in person or by mail.

**May 2002:** An annual maintenance budget and corresponding assessment were passed under the newly adopted voting procedures. This changed our funding source from dues (collected by membership) to assessments (collected by lot).

**May 2002:** The much-needed Jetty Repair project was initiated. The permitting has been approved by Island County and is currently waiting on the Fisheries Department.

**November 16, 2002:** The LPIC Constitution and LPIC By-Laws were both amended to provide mail-in voting, on all future amendments, by all members.

### Major Accomplishments of 2003:

**May 30<sup>th</sup> 2003:** Property Owner's 2003-2004 Annual Budget was approved; revising accounts list and improving the long-term reserve provisions.

**June 17, 2003:** Amended Bylaws Article I (Membership) and Article II (Budgets, Fees and Assessments); providing automatic membership for lot owners; voting by mail, by lot, for budgets, fees and assessments, as well as for election of board members. LPIC is now a Homeowners Association as defined by RCW 64.38.

**August 29<sup>th</sup> 2003:** The Jetty Repair authorization and assessment was approved.

**August 30<sup>th</sup> 2003:** First Election of Board Members conducted with mail in ballots.

**October 21<sup>st</sup> 2003:** The Jetty Repair Project was approved by Island County.

**December 8<sup>th</sup> 2003:** The Jetty Repair Project was approved by Washington State Fisheries.

### Yet To Do in 2004:

**Jetty Repair Permit:** Army Corps of Engineers approval.

**Jetty Repair Project:** Accomplish Jetty Repair between July 16<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup> 2004.

**Dredging Funding Resolution:** Criteria established, draft proposals near completions – Final selection and legal review next – Mail-out to membership, discussions meetings to go before final membership approval is requested.

**Dredging Project:** Permit initiation and funding.

**LPIC Bylaws:** Consolidate the LPIC Constitution into the Bylaws – Revise and update the election process to provide mail-in voting – Complete additional required revisions and updates.

## 2004 LPIC Calendar

Jan 6	Board Meeting
Feb 10	Board Meeting (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday)
Mar 2	Board Meeting
Mar 13	St Patrick's Day Potluck
Apr 6	Board Meeting
May 4	Board Meeting
Jun 1	Board Meeting
July 6	Board Meeting

Aug 3	Board Meeting
Aug 21	Fishing Derby & Potluck
Sep 7	Board Meeting
Oct 5	Board Meeting
Nov 9	Board Meeting (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday)
Dec 4	Christmas Potluck
Dec 7	Board Meeting

## Passages

Our longtime friend and neighbor Gordon "**Gordy**" Hans **Rowe** 84, left for the Happy Hunting Ground, December 11, 2003. Pneumonia freed him to hunt and fish again. He is survived by his wife Marie, three daughters and six grandkids. A model maker for Boeing Wind Tunnel, he retired after 42 years to Lagoon Point, where he and Marie became involved with Holmes Harbor Rod & Gun Club, where he taught and shot, South Whidbey Shrine Club, Langley Lodge #218 F&AM, and Langley Chapter #159 O.E.S. He was a sportsman, craftsman, family man, and a darned good Jack-of-all-Trades, a good man to have around the house, always with perfection as his goal. In lieu of flowers, donation may be made to the Shrine Hospital. Services to be announced.

## SAFETY NOTES *by Frank Roberts*

The best safety notes possible for December were recently delivered to resident mailboxes, courtesy of Central Whidbey Fire & Rescue. It contains two full pages of valuable information. Please give it your usual careful attention.

For non-resident property owners or anyone who needs an extra copy, please call Chris Chan at 678-8752 or Frank Roberts at 222-3050

## Dogs Adrift – Reminder

The County Dog Leash Ordinance requires that **dogs must not be allowed to run free** here in Lagoon Point. Please **keep aggressive dogs under control at all times**.

## LPIC e-Bulletins

LPIC is publishing bulletins and announcements via email, to augment our monthly printed newsletter and our website: [www.lagoonpoint.com](http://www.lagoonpoint.com). If you would like to receive the LPIC e-Bulletin, email your request to [LPIC@whidbey.net](mailto:LPIC@whidbey.net) and please include your name and phone number.

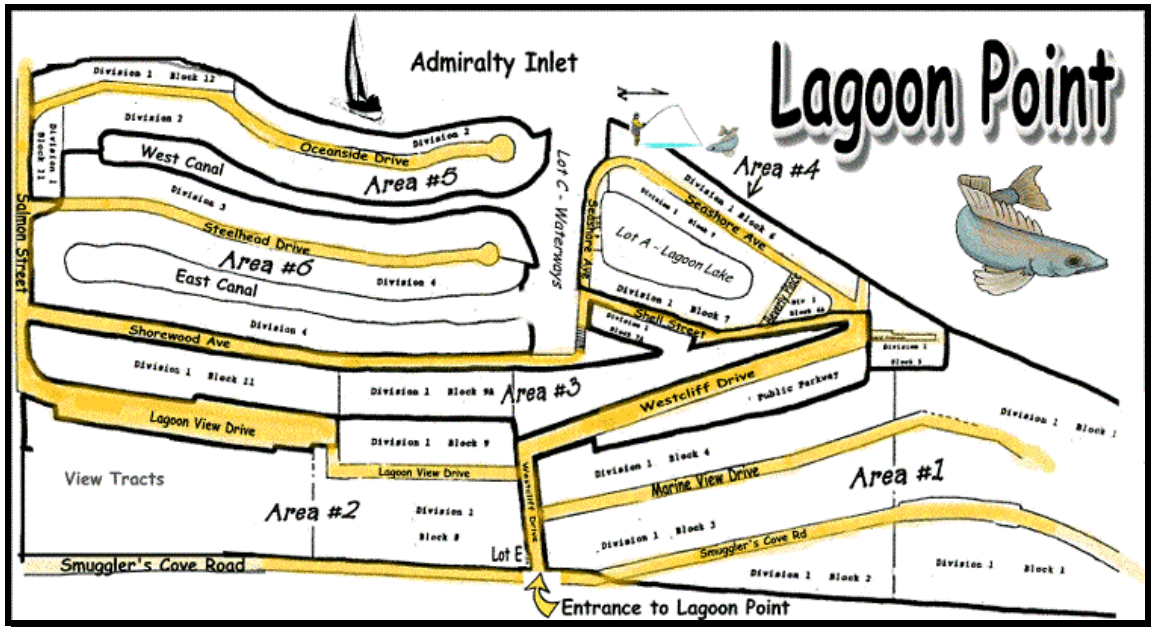
## Missing Small Blue Boat – Recovered

A small boat, which blew into the canal during the October 28th storm, was rescued by an alert LP neighbor. However, the alert neighbor did not know who owned the boat. After reading an ad about it in the November LPIC Newsletter, the boat was returned to its thankful owner.

## BULLETIN BOARD (Ads will run twice unless otherwise arranged)

- **LP HERON** Hooded & regular Sweatshirts, T's! Any size and color, they Benefit "Neighbors Helping Neighbors", our own voluntary LP help organization. Call Margo Lane 360-222-3209
- Need sewing done? Experienced seamstress. Many baby afghans, a few baby quilts made up, can take orders, great handmade gifts for a shower. Call Monica Vierra 678-6310.
- Hi, my name is Maddy Ess and I would like to walk or take care of your pets for you. Rates are negotiable & reasonable. 678-2913.
- 1985 Starcraft 16 ft. "FISHIN BOAT". - Fully equipped & ready to fish. \$2000. Call Jim 360-678-6579 for a detailed list and description.

**If you need to delete your ad, or would like to add an ad, please e-mail: [lpic@whidbey.net](mailto:lpic@whidbey.net)**



**Contact your 2004 Area Representative:**

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| Area 2 | Graham Benson  | 360-222-3018 |              |
| Area 3 | Roy Blackwell  | 425-347-9312 |              |
| Area 4 | Mike Stevens   | 206-542-7139 | 360-678-3689 |
| Area 5 | Bob Rodgers    | 360-678-0770 |              |
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