



**MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE
OF THE UNITED STATES
GRAND PUP TENT OF WASHINGTON**

June 2025

GENERAL ORDER #1 Linda Fairbank COMMANDER 2025-2026
TO BE READ AT THE NEXT PUP TENT SCRATCH

#1. Having Been Duly Elected and Installed on 3 May 2025, I Linda Fairbank do hereby assume the office of Commander Grand Pup Tent of Washington, Military Order of the Cootie of the United States.

#2. **Grand Elections:** The following officers were duly elected and were installed at the Grand of Washington Convention 3 May 2025 in Skyway, Washington.

Grand Commander:	Linda Fairbank
Sr. Vice Commander:	Drew James
Jr. Vice Commander:	Frank Persa
Quartermaster:	Hardy Nettles
Chaplain:	Dale Iannello
Judge Advocate:	Holly Pierce
Surgeon:	Robert Berleen
Historian:	Dale Iannello

#3. **Appointments:** All Previous appointments are declared null and void and those former appointees will convert their tassels to their now current level. The following 2025-2026 appointments are announced and are hereby in effect as of 3 May 2025.

Chief of Staff:	Hardy Nettles
Adjutant:	Jeffrey Byrd
Officer of the Day:	Julie Street
Provost Marshall:	Traci Williams
Jimmy Legs:	Dean Mc Kinney
Guard:	Erik Skau
Shirt Reader:	Perry Taylor
POW/MIA Chair:	Richard Holland
National Home:	Richard Holland
News Hound:	Dale Iannello
Windjammer:	Ken Anderson
Aide De-Camp South	Deane Bray
Aide De-Camp North	James Desterhouse
Rebel Rouser:	Ken Anderson

#3. **Appointments:** Continued

Guardian of Sacred Ditty Bag:	Erik Skau
Inspector:	John Gifford
Inspector:	Hardy Nettles
Membership:	Linda Fairbank
Life Membership:	Linda Fairbank
VFW Booster:	Jerry Crowley
Hospital:	Richard Klug
Blood Chairman:	Holly Pierce
Special Project Chair:	Erik Skau
Ways and Means Chair:	Frank Persa
Apple Program Chair:	Dan Staton
Big Boot	James Desterhouse

Fall C of A Chair:	John Gifford
Spring C of A Chair:	Holly Pierce
Convention Chair:	Hardy Nettles
VAVS Rep Tacoma:	Jason Paxton
VAVS Dep Tacoma:	Joshua Wheeldon
VAVS Rep Vancouver:	Mike Archer
VAVS Dep Vancouver:	James Becker
VAVS Rep Seattle:	Traci Williams

Advisors:	PGC Dwight Booth
	PGC Mike Archer
	PGC John Gifford
	PGC Bob Berleen
	PGC Jerry Crowley

#4. **Grand Special Project:** The Joint Special Project for this year is the Dementia Unit at Washington Veterans Home (Reitzel). The funds collected will be used for additional staff training and other programs for the dementia unit.

#5. **Pup Tent Scratches:** In accordance with Supreme By-Laws, Article II, Section 213, all Pup Tents shall hold at least one scratch per month.

#6. **Hospital Reports:** Email/Send Monthly Hospital Reports to the Grand Hospital Chairman Richard Klug. He will input your reports for you. If you want to put in your own reports at <http://hospital.cootie.org> please email/send a copy to the Grand Hospital Chairman.
Richard Klug
27415 146th Ave SE Kent WA 98042
Email : r.klug@comcast.net Phone : (253) 709-4036

#7. **Blood Reports:** Monthly Blood Reports need to be sent directly to the Grand Blood Chairman,
Holly Pierce 360-470-2387
65 Winkleman Rd N
Montesano, WA 98563 Email : hollycarnold@yahoo.com

#8. **Pup Tent Inspections:** Pup Tent Inspections will be at the discretion of the Grand Inspectors, who will schedule directly with the Pup Tents.

- #9. **Pup Tent Roster:** The Roster for the Grand of Washington is being produced by the MOC Grand Commander Linda Fairbank and will be available at the Fall C of A in October in Bremerton, WA.
- #10. **Membership Dues:** Dues payments with appropriate transmittal forms, need to be sent directly to the Grand Quartermaster
Hardy Nettles
2747 Mt. Baker Hwy.
Bellingham, WA 98226
Email: lorinhardy@yahoo.com Phone:360-961-6411

Please try and get all renewals completed by 30 November.

- #11. **Audits:** Quarterly audits are due to the Grand Quartermaster
Hardy Nettles
2747 Mt. Baker Hwy.
Bellingham, WA 98226
Email: lorinhardy@yahoo.com Phone:360-961-6411

No Later than 30 days after the end of the quarter
(30 April, 31 July, 31 Oct, and 31, Jan)

- #12. **Pup Tent Bonding:** This is a bonding year ensure you are bonded for the proper amount for funds in the bank. All Pup Tents are required to obtain at least a \$1000 minimum bond. Bonding form will be available at <http://lotcs.org> on July 5 2025.
- #13. **990:** Ensure your Pup Tent's 990 is current with the IRS
- #14. **Supreme Scratch:** August 14-17 Columbus, Ohio Remember all pup tents are required to register at least one delegate. Cost is \$20.00. Form and information can the found at <http://lotcs.org>
- #15. **Tomb Trek:** 31 October-2 November 2025 **Wreath Registration** is \$25.00 Washingtons goal is 100% participation of all pup tents. Order must be received by 1 October 2025 to be printed in the Annual Tomb Trek booklet. Registration and information can the found at <http://lotcs.org>
- #16. **Grand Website:** The Grand of Washington website is: <http://lotcswa.org>

#17. **Grand Calendar of Events:**

Fall C Of A	Bremerton Post 239	Oct 3-4 2025
Spring C of A	McCleary Post5564	March 6-7 2026
Grand Convention	Bellingham Post1585	May 1-2 2026

All Events will begin at 10:00AM

This is provided for planning purposes and will be fully detailed prior to the event.

#18. **Schedule for Official Visits:** Please let me know if there is any conflict with these dates.

PUP TENTS	DAY OF WEEK	TIME	OFFICAL VISIT
PT 3 MOC	4th SUNDAY	1 PM	OCT 26 2025
PT 3 MOCA	4th SUNDAY	1 PM	OCT 26 2025
PT 4 MOC	1st SATURDAY	10 AM	JULY 26 2025
PT 5 MOC	1st SUNDAY	1 PM	August 3 2025
PT 6 MOC	2nd SUNDAY	1 PM	October 12 2025
PT 6 MOCA	2ND SATURDAY	11 AM	October 12 2025
PT 8 MOC	1ST SATURDAY	11 AM	SEPT 6 2025
PT9 MOC	3RD SATURDAY	4:30 PM	October 18 2025
PT 9 MOCA	3RD SATURDAY	4:30 PM	October 18 2025
PT 11 MOC	2ND SUNDAY	2 PM	Sept 14 2025
PT 11 MOCA	2ND SUNDAY	1 PM	Sept 14 2025
PT 18 MOC	3RD SUNDAY	3 PM	Sept 21 2025
PT 18 MOCA	3RD SUNDAY	3 PM	Sept 21 2025

BY COMMAND OF:

Linda Fairbank

**Linda Fairbank
Washington Grand Commander**