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## Commodore's Comments

Sandy Leathers

**WOW!**—the fun index is approaching 100% for OYC summer activities. On June 24th twelve OYC boats cruised to Tantallon Marina at Ft. Washington, Md. to be treated to a “French Night” dinner and a live band called “No Name” and help yourself “Sunday Brunch” by the hospitable members of the Tantallon Yacht Club aboard their large club house. Our many thanks to John Ludwig, Commodore, and the “yacht club helpers” for a terrific evening. We look forward to our next visit which will be in September for the PRYCA End of Summer Party. Bud Clark speaking for TYC did say OYC is welcome anytime!

On July 4th Weekend, Rick Sorrenti, cruise coordinator, assisted seventeen OYC boats to Cole’s Point Plantation Marina for a weekend full of events and thunder storms. However, a couple comments...first, the volleyball game with Quantico Yacht Club. It became known as the “Business men and women” against the “Marines.” The bet became the loser would join the other yacht club. OYC is now a proud member of the Quantico Yacht Club, however the games were close and well played, the cheerleading was outstanding, the talent of the players—oh well—we did have fun as Ned Rhodes, PC can attest (he has to have knee surgery after the weeklong cruise

due to injuries suffered during the games). As a result of the friendship developed, OYC personally invited Quantico Yacht Club to join PRYCA. Commodore Bill Gooding has been extended a formal invitation by Steve Wexler, MAL, to join PRYCA. Actually, we want a rematch! Also, I must comment about the great fireworks display that Steve and Mark Wexler put on July 2nd. We all agreed that their display was better than the marina’s display on July 3rd. Thanks to Rick and all his helpers for a great weekend!

On July 8th, OYC members were again invited to the home of Dave and Carol Moore on Occoquan Bay for a Raft-Up/Beach Party. Fifteen boats rafted-up and many members attended by land. The weather was perfect, as was the hospitality. Thanks again for inviting OYC to enjoy the beauty and friendship at your home on Occoquan Bay.

On July 14th, PRYCA held their annual summer Float-In at Fort Washington Marina. This year Steve Wexler, PRYCA Member-at-Large, was the Chairman for the event and OYC acted as the host yacht club. Steve did an outstanding job organizing this event for PRYCA. John Hancock, Commodore of PRYCA, commented in the

PRYCA newsletter that “Advanced registration and planning indicated this will be the best attended and organized Float-In in our decade-long history of fun and frolic.” It was!! And hot, too! 118 boats from fifteen yacht clubs attended. OYC was very enthusiastic about winning the Aquia Cup again, however Aquia Harbour Yacht Club took 1st place. Pat Steele

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coordinated 100% of all items on the Scavenger Hunt, Mary Ann Coldwell, Roxana Grosson, Tom Egmore, and Ned Rhodes led the Shore Dexterity events, tying all the knots required, and Monica and Henry Lovell, Joe Grosson and Jillian Sorrenti rowed for 3rd place in the Dingy Race. I'm sure Steve will have additional comments and many "thank yous" to all the OYC helpers at the registration desk, dock captains, and radio communications. OYC is very proud of the job Steve did, and it is rumored that Steve Donock will be the Chairman next year.

### Coming Up

July 29th will begin the "Week-long Cruise" to the Bay called "OYC Summer Odyssey 95" coordinated by Tom Egmore, Vice Commodore. The cruise will visit Dennis Point, Crisfield, Oxford, St. Michaels, and Solomons. 17 OYC boats are signed up for this super cruise, the largest group to ever go on a OYC weeklong. There is much anticipation and excitement, especially since there are so many first-time week-long attendees.

August 19th is the Exotic Drink Raft-Up to nowhere and is coordinated by (I think) Rick Sorrenti. Keep an ear to the VHF radio channel 16 for time and location or follow *Sea Duck II*.

August 26th is the date for OYC's Annual Dinghy Regatta coordinated by Tom Coldwell, PC, at Prince William Marina. Please refer to Tom's notice in this issue of the Daymarker for more details. The event will start at 1:00PM on B-Dock. OYC will be providing some food and beverage so RSVP to Tom at 703-323-1675. This is always a fun event with lots of laughs! Tom, what's this blindfolded stuff? You must be kidding—Right, Tom?

September 2-4—Labor Day Weekend Cruise to White Point Marina. Because Jim Walters has sold his boat, he has asked Tom Egmore, VC, to take over as coordinator. The most important issue now is to make sure Jim or Tom have your \$25.00 deposit by August 11th payable to White Point Marina. Tom's phone number is 703-256-8442 and Jim's is 703-690-8230. Be there or be square!

### Final Notes

I want to thank Ray Steele, IPC, for acting as the Nominating Committee Chairman for the 1996 OYC Board. Please refer to his list of nominees to be voted upon September 30 at the General Membership meeting. OYC thanks all nominees for volunteering to serve.

Lonnie Love was recently hospitalized at Potomac Hospital, Woodbridge, VA. She is now at home recuperating. She wanted me to express her "thanks" to OYC for the beautiful flowers sent to her during her confinement. Get well soon, Lonnie.

The FCC has adopted a new regulatory fee schedule that will reduce the \$115 fee now being assessed on VHF marine radios to \$75 effective September 18, 1995. There is also a bill pending to eliminate the license fee, H.R. 963. Write your congressman and ask them to support this bill.

See ya on the River!!

## The Board and Members of Ocoquan Yacht Club

express their heartfelt thanks  
to

**Wexler Pyrotechnics, Inc.**  
**(d/b/a the We-We Brothers)**

for their stupendous fireworks display

**Coles Point Plantation**  
**4th of July Weekend, 1995**

### Anniversaries and Birthdays

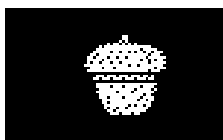
Happy Anniversary to the following couples for the month of August:

Charles & Vonda Barrow (1)  
Gordon & Patricia Clatterbuck (8)  
John & Elaine Robey (13)  
George and Vickie Siebert (17)  
Mark & Beth Swansen (22)

August Birthday Wishes to:

Doug Tracht (1)  
Rosie Betts (2)  
Carol Walsh (3)  
Karla Donock (6)  
Gordon Clatterbuck (8)  
Gail Moore (18)  
Mark Swansen (26)  
Monica Lovell (26)

If you would like to see your name in print, make sure that the Membership Guy knows your vital statistics.



### Treasurer's Comments

Steve Wexler

July was a month packed with activity for OYC boaters. Rick Sorrenti coordinated the July 4th weekend cruise to Coles Point Plantation...and then he left the Marina for points north. Rick—was it something we said??? Paula and I enjoyed our dinghy commando raid on the OYC fleet. Yes, Ned...your hose is bigger than mine!!! We particularly enjoyed the opportunity to be a tug boat—in our little raft we tugged on the lines of *Cheers II* to turn them 180 degrees at dock. The volleyball match against Quantico Yacht Club was truly a battle of the bulge...i.e., our waistlines against theirs. Just proved that bigger is not necessarily better. Also found out how to cut the Board meetings shorter...just arrange to have twenty OYC boaters show up for an evening cruise aboard "Sandy's Stroll".

A warm thank you to Dave and Carol Moore for their

hospitality. Over fifty members floated and drove in to the Moore's home for the Occoquan Bay Raft Up. It was a pretty picture to watch the sun setting with the OYC fleet at anchor.

I would like to personally thank all of the OYC members who assisted as the "host" club for the PRYCA Float-In. In particular, I couldn't have managed without the *Hanky Panky* crew...Monica and Henry really filled in for me when I wasn't feeling well. As usual, Commodore Sandy was always there to help...and Dave Moore, Al Hobson and Ray Steele capably assisted FC Darrel Edgar in docking over 115 boats. I would be remiss if I didn't mention Paula...who drove the boat, handled my responsibilities when I couldn't, and generally served as second-in-command when I went down. I personally want to express my gratitude for Penny DeMarco's unwavering energy, Joe Orth's capable leadership for the Aquia Cup competition, and all of the PRYCA board members for pitching in and putting together a great event.

Good boating to all of the members participating in this year's week-long. We look forward to great stories and documentary pictures to support the tales of pleasure which I am sure will follow. Paula and I will think of all of you when we're on the links of St. Georges Club in Bermuda. See you when we return.

### Future OYC Leadership

Ray Steele

A Nominating Committee consisting of Capt. Bill Fulford, Capt. Tim Chaffin and Immediate Past Commodore Ray Steele has reported in. They experienced an adequate but less than overwhelming response in their quest for volunteers to staff the 1996 OYC Bridge. The responses are as follows.

Commodore:	Tom Egmore
Vice Commodore:	Steve Wexler
Rear Commodore:	Teresa Sorrenti
Treasurer:	Dave Moore
Secretary:	Walt Cheatham

"A few must experience pain for the majority to flourish."(someone famous)

This slate of officers will be voted upon during the September 30th Membership Meeting.

The OYC has been blessed with good leadership and this slate will insure the quality boating that we have come to expect. Please join us in thanking these OYC members for their commitment and provide them with our pledge of support. YEA TEAM!!!

### Occoquan Bay Beach/Dock Party Report

Dave and Carol Moore

No rainbow this year—only warm sunshine, moonlight, mostly light breezes and low humidity at our home on July 8 and 9. All of the typical July heat and humidity was saved for the PRYCA Float-In at Fort Washington the following week-end.

A total of 62 people attended this year. *Happenstance*, *Uff Da!*, and *Pat & Ray* rafted off the dock next to *Evermoore*. *Cheers II*, *Southern Nites*, *Seminole Wind*, *Lady Jackie* (with Hobsons aboard), *Salty Dogs*, *Last Resort*, *Sandy's Run* (with mud flaps

installed), *Maggie Lynn*, *Saint 'N Sinner*, *Down the Hatch*, *New Love* and *Southern Exposure* anchored or rafted out. Coming by land barge were Coldwells, Rhodes, Wexlers with mom Millie, Betts, Corleys, Sorrentis, Chaffins and new members Beckers and friends and Leo Smith.

We'd like to express our deep appreciation to all those who helped out, especially Bill & Bonnie, Pat & Ray, Dottie & Jim, Mary Ann, the three Steves and all the others. We couldn't have done it without you.

Members brought snacks that went on forever as well as many special side dishes and desserts.

The challenging uphill croquet course, laid out by Dave, and the volleyball court became active Sunday morning after breakfast. Many boaters enjoyed the good weather here throughout the day. It was a fun and memorable event for us and we hope for you, too.

### Occoquan Yacht Club Financial Statement October 1, 1994-July 25, 1995

Beginning Balance (10/1/94) <sup>1</sup>	\$2,080.08
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#### Income:

##### 1995 Membership Dues

Renewal Family Members	\$1,485.00
Renewal Indiv. Members	140.00
Renewal Assoc. Members	135.00
New Family Members	780.00
New Individual Members	140.00
New Associate Members	25.00
Club Sales	1,410.00
Gen. Membership 50/50 (Oct)	41.00
Gen. Membership 50/50 (Mar)	88.00
Clothing/Burgee Raffle	105.00
Holiday Party Raffle	170.00
Planfest 50/50	42.00
Holiday Party	2,000.00
OYC Breakfast	329.00
Occoquan Raft-Up	460.00
Miscellaneous	<u>83.00</u>
Total Income	\$7,433.00

#### Expenses:

Membership Activities	\$3,644.69
Awards	454.85
Postage	639.60
Printing/Reproduction	593.97
Miscellaneous	130.00
Organizational Expenses	195.00
Clothing/Burgee Inventory	2,008.24 <sup>2</sup>
Bank Service Charges	<u>117.91</u>
Total Expenses	\$7,784.26

Ending Balance	<u>\$1,728.82</u>
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<sup>1</sup>Includes \$545.00 of 1995 Renewal Membership Dues and \$315.00 of 1995 New Membership Dues.

<sup>2</sup>The Club's Clothing/Burgee Inventory includes 34 burgees, 21 shirts, and 24 hats.

## From the Membership Guy

Tom Coldwell

### **More new kids on the block, er, dock**

Avast and belay, matey, and give a hearty welcome aboard to these here new hands what signed on with our jolly crew: Bob Patenaude in *Joint Venture* and Michael Troup in *Nauty Bouy*, both berthed at OHM; Bonnie Breneman in *Sea Brat* berthed at Mount Vernon YC; and Clark and Jean Southworth in *Good Crew's Inn* berthed at Fort Washington Marina.

Welcome aboard, folks. We look forward to seeing you on the rivers....

### **Another Disgustingly Outdated Roster**

Yep, stuffed somewhere in these pages is yet another OYC membership roster. We might have said "current" roster, and it was that when the Membership Guy dropped the thing into the snail mail to the editors. Since then, e.g., the date listed at the top of the roster, wholesale changes may have occurred. Boats and wives may have been traded, people may have moved or edited the spelling of their boat name, e.g., from *Impulse* to *No-pulse* or from *Saint 'n Sinner* to *Sniveling Whiner* or, worse yet but unlikely, the Membership Guy might have made a mistake.

So if by chance some error is noted, please call the Membership Guy (name and number at the bottom of the roster). Please, please do not call the editor of this esteemed mullet wrapper. He doesn't have time to be bothered, occupied as he is restocking the refrigerators on his front porch.

### "Official" 1995 District of Columbia Fishing Regulations

1. License required when fishing in D.C. waters.
2. Fishing requires boat or ability to stand along shore.
3. Requires fishing pole or equivalent.
4. Requires fishing line, hook, sinker; bobber optional.
5. Live bait or artificial bait may be used.
6. Report all catches to President Clinton.
7. Weigh in on White House lawn.
8. Always yell "I got one!" when fish attack.
9. Never eat fish caught in D.C. waters near Blue Plains.
10. Always lie about size of the one that got away.

Produced by Dave Moore for the Scavenger Hunt at PRYCA Float-In.

### Fireworks in the Heartland

Scott and Carrie

Buddy, you don't know what fun is 'til you've experienced a 4th of July in the Heartland. It's an all day affair with organized events which include lawnmower racing. Mister, you haven't lived till you see a couple of nitro-burning 5 horse power LawnBoys do the quarter-mile on the oval track. Let me tell you, the sod flies!!!

Of course, there are the ever popular Truck and Tractor Pulls and the most interesting of all the events, the Draght Horsemanship competition. It's like the Budweiser Clydesdales meet the Monster Trucks!

The First Assembly of God puts on a Hog Roast for \$5.00 a head, there's a parade from the Marathon Building to the Fairgrounds and to cap it all off, there's a cover band called Phil Dirt & The Dozers.

Now, you might be thinking that at some time during the festivities the Remington Arms Plant might go up in a fiery ball of flame, but sorry to say, they only manufacture clay pigeons there. We will make do with a modest fireworks display at the Old Mill Stream Fairgrounds and of course, bottle rockets and roman candles that have been smuggled back from somebody's vacation to the Carolinas. Should be fun.

Every word of this letter is true.

Happy Independence Day. E Pluribus Unum!

### Did You Know...

Was it a sudden high tide or a "too-sue-me" in the Mattawoman a few weeks ago witnessed (or caused?) by Ned Rhodes, Ron Tilmon and Aaron Martin?

Which OYC wife won't let her husband attend next year's Swap Meet/ Auction, and why? You guess "who," but the "why" is because he paid twice as much for a five gallon water bottle (which resides on *Impulse*) when it was auctioned than if he had bought it outright during the Swap Meet.

The over-the-hill OYC volleyball team has to cancel the next game due to the following injuries: Ned has a bum knee, Butch has a bum ankle, Mary Jo has a swollen wrist, and Lynn injured her "boat scrubbing hand."

Did you know that Lynn can't get off at all in September? (Could it be due to her injury, above?)

TV trivia: Did you know that for years Arleen Rhodes has been amazed that the "twin cousins" on the old Patty Duke show wore the same size clothes?

This year's \$100,000 question: How many Walts does it take to anchor in Occoquan Bay? Or how many tries does it take Walt to anchor in Occoquan Bay? (Also overheard: "Rick and I saw the movie Apollo 13 last week, and they had an easier time docking than Walt!")

Which OYC member's mouth moves faster than his feet on the volleyball court? Steve Worcester.

And what does it mean when someone says, "We don't need insect repellent, we got off!" What does that mean Jan?







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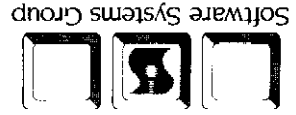
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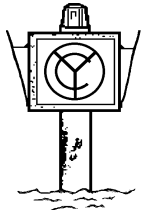
## Coming Events

Aug 19-20  
Exotic Drink Raft-up at  
Mattawoman. Rick  
Sorrenti 590-6724

Aug 26  
Dinghy Regatta@Prince  
William Marina. Tom  
Coldwell 323-1675.

Sept 2-4  
Labor Day Cruise to  
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Sept 16-17  
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