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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Tom Plewes

Explaining the Mysteries of the Masthead

The masthead section on the wonderful OYC Website that was recently redesigned by OYC member, Don Bennett, proudly announces that OYC is (multi-year) "PRYCA Cup Champions" and also announces that we are members of two organizations: the Potomac River Yacht Club Association (PRYCA) and the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association (CBYCA). We have been members of these organizations for so long and have generally been so comfortable in our membership that we seldom think about what they bring to us. The associations do very important work that contributes to our safe and responsible use, as well as our enjoyment, of the wonderful water resources we have in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. In this article, I will summarize the history, purpose and contributions of the two associations with which we are affiliated.

The senior and largest association of yacht clubs in our region is the CBYCA. It has been around since 1957. It now includes over 80 yacht clubs in its founding state of Maryland and in Virginia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, and the District of Columbia. The CBYCA has three areas in which it focuses most of its attention: to protect the interests of better boating in the Chesapeake Bay area through legislation; to define standards of recognition for yacht clubs in the region; and to act as a liaison and coordinator between yacht clubs as to coming events, such as Opening Days and

Commodore Balls, and to prevent overlap when possible.

At the national level, CBYCA represents yacht clubs in this region as a member of the National Boating Federation (NBF), which gets involved with the U.S. Coast Guard on national administrative matters and with Congress on legislative matters affecting recreational boating. Most recently, NBF took on the issues of potential interference with the GPS signals posed by implementation of Light Squared expansion plans and on the issue of mandatory 15% ethanol content in gas.

Importantly, CBYCA is represented on the Virginia Boating Advisory Board, which is charged with review of proposed Virginia legislation and advising the Commonwealth on matters affecting recreational boating. The interests we have in our piece of the Potomac River are ably represented in Richmond by Sally Kenavan, a member of the Aquia Harbour Yacht Club.

This past year was a difficult year for CBYCA as different factions vied for leadership of the organization resulting in litigation in Maryland courts and much confusion. For a while, the OYC withheld its membership pending the sorting out of the status of CBYCA leadership. We can report that CBYCA has sorted out the leadership questions to our satisfaction and OYC has now re-joined the organization.

The Potomac River Yacht Club Association has not been around quite so long, having formed in 1971. Its aims are a little closer to home for the interests of OYC: to encourage boating safety; to encourage the advancement of yachting clubs in the Potomac River Basin; to represent member clubs; and to promote social interactions

among member clubs and their individual members. OYC actively participates in the main PRYCA events each year: the summer kick-off cruise (in recent years this cruise has been to Cobb Island); the annual Float-In (this year scheduled for July 13-15 at Coles Point); and the annual Change of Watch Ball (usually held at the Springfield Hilton Hotel in January). OYC is well represented in the leadership of PRYCA, holding 3 of the 11 Board positions – Mike Crouch is Vice Commodore; Joey Sowell is Treasurer; and Pat Croft is a Member-at-Large. Joe Livingston is the OYC delegate to both the CBYCA and the PRYCA. Yes...we are well represented, to say the least.

These organizations work hard to improve our boating experience and take on issues for OYC at the national and commonwealth level which would be difficult for us to take on as one yacht club. They deserve our support.
Tom Plewes, *Double Eagle*



Vice Commodore

Jim Dooley

Neptune Festival + July 13-15 + PRYCA Float-In = THE CUP!

Okay, OYC Crew! We find ourselves fast approaching the weekend of 13 July through 15 July for the 2012 PRYCA Float-In at Coles Point Plantation, Coles Point, Virginia.

For some of you who may have been living under a rock... the OYC has won the Cup in 1992, 1993, 1997, 2009 and 2011. We will be the team to beat, and they all will be coming for us. But given our outstanding knowledge of seamanship, experience with knots, victims buoy toss, our clubs dingy experience, and our scavenger hunting skills, we are poised for a repeat! OYC has a super pool of talent this year with 16 boats signed up and ready to compete! Our years of experience have taught us to load up on trivial junk that just might be used for the scavenger hunt. **(BE SURE TO HAVE A CURRENT VESSEL SAFETY STICKER!)**. We know to dress the theme of Neptune. If you don't know what that means, then allow me to enlighten you...

➤ The men should arrive like:



➤ The women should look like:



➤ But, we all know we will always have those who prefer to look like:



The current schedule is:

Arrival on Friday the 13th, from noon on. As you approach Coles Point, hail the PRYCA on channel 09 to obtain a working channel. Once on the working channel, probably 68, you will be provided a slip assignment and dockhands will meet you at your assigned slip to assist with docking. Be sure to pick up your Welcome Package and OYC TEAM T-SHIRT upon arrival. They will be available until 1900 Friday and 1300 Saturday. If you plan to arrive after the stated times either day, it is suggested you have a club member pick up your Welcome Package prior to registration closing for the day.

- ☠ Friday Night, "**CRAB FEAST ON THE BEACH**"-**NEPTUNE FESTIVAL THEME!!!**
- ☠ Saturday Morning, Continental Breakfast
- ☠ Saturday Lunch, (Hamburgers and Hot Dogs with sides)
- ☠ Saturday Night Buffet and Awards Banquet, Dancing to the tunes of the **25th Hour Band!!!**
- ☠ PRYCA Cup Competition – THE CUP!
- ☠ Door Prize Raffles
- ☠ Seminars and demonstrations to be announced
- ☠ Sunday Brunch

Prizes (besides The CUP):

- ☠ One raffle ticket for each registered individual will be in your boat's Welcome Package. These tickets will be used for door prize drawings on Saturday evening. **You must be present to win.**
- ☠ Throughout the weekend, 50/50 raffle tickets will be sold. The 50/50 raffle ticket will be drawn and the prize awarded during the Saturday evening dinner/dance. **You must be present to win.**
- ☠ Throughout the weekend "**BIG PRIZE**" raffle tickets

will be sold. The “**BIG PRIZE**” will also be drawn during the Saturday evening dinner/dance. **You must be present to win.**

For those not able to boat down, Coles Point will have limited lodging and camping facilities available. Please contact Coles Point Plantation directly. As cruise coordinator, if/when more information becomes available, I will forward to those attending. Once the events are made known, I will be asking for volunteers. Thanks to those that have volunteered!

Jim Dooley, *Jus Chill~N*



Rear Commodore

John Heinze

The Fajita-Fest Lives Up to Its Name!

How quick work by OYC members saved the event!

The 2012 Fajita-Fest was has quite a fest! Once again the beef and chicken fajitas, beans and rice, chips and dip from El Charro Restaurant were excellent. The key lime pie was delicious. The adult drinks went perfectly with the food. Even the weather cooperated with pleasant breezes in the shade at the Occoquan Harbor Marina picnic pavilion.



And best part was the great fellowship with OYC members with 35 participants - an excellent turnout. Perhaps the emotional highlight was the participation of Commodore Tom Plewes at his first outing since his recent knee surgery. It was certainly good to see Tom up and about again, accompanied by first mate Liz.

As with any successful event there are a large number of people to thank for their help. The list includes first and always, my first mate Rebecca for stocking the Rear Commodore supplies and for coordination with the restaurant, ensuring that we get plenty of terrific food and a great price.

Quick Work by OYC Members Saved the Event!

Daymarker Editor Anne Bennett, Webmaster Don Bennett, Quartermaster Heidi Bishop, and Membership Chair Bud Bishop really stepped into the fray when we arrived to set up the Fajita-Fest and found that OHM had

inadvertently double booked the picnic pavilion. Keeping their cool, they quickly worked with OHM management and arranged for the additional electrical connection so that we could operate the blender (What would we have done without a blender?!?) and got an extra table (which we desperately needed) and brought tables and chairs from their own boats and helped load and unload food and supplies. And Heidi managed to do Quartermaster sales, and Bud handed out membership cards. Outstanding!

I'm sure everyone at the Fajita-Fest is very appreciative of Harry Croft for his masterful job of operating the blender and keeping the libations coming. Pat Croft made sure we had plenty of ingredients for the blender. Carl Maxwell offered to help with the blender, but I'm not sure he got much of a chance, as Harry seemed to have that pretty much under control.

Treasurer Joe Livingston deserves special OYC recognition as he provided the terrific dessert and collected the donation money and distributed the wrist bans. Joe had a family event that afternoon, so made a special effort just to be there. Thanks, Joe!



Joe Livingston, Tom Lensis and John Heinze

I'd also like to thank Immediate Past Commode Tom Lensis for picking up the food at El Charro Restaurant and delivering it to OHM for the Fajita-Fest. You can't beat delivery service like that.

Also a big shout-out to Jim Dooley for single-handedly picking up the tables and other large items that we use from the OYC shed. I especially appreciate Jim's help with this, as otherwise I would have had to deliver the Rear Commodore supplies to the event – which is always a big load – and then make a second trip to the OYC shed to pick up the tables, tents and other large items that we keep there. Thanks, Jim!

Well as you can see from the photos, we had a great time and it was all due to a lot of help from a lot of people – and to the great participation of OYCers who know how to have good time!

John Heinze, *Great Escape*



Secretary

Jill Stanley

New Members Judi and Bud Jennison



Judi and Bud Jennison dock their boat at Occoquan Harbor Marina. They have a 40' sedan bridge Sea Ray, named *Schatze*, which when translated from German means "dear one" - an appropriate name for a boat you love.

Bud and Judi live in League City, Texas. They have a son who lives in Massachusetts with

his wife and two children, Michael and Jessica. Since 2010 Bud's job brought him up to Virginia to work on the Ft. Belvoir Community Hospital. They had their boat hauled up here to live on while Bud was working on this project. The project ended last October, but Bud was asked to stay and continue work on some redesigning. Judi worked in medical equipment sales, but was officially down sized and is now looking for a job.

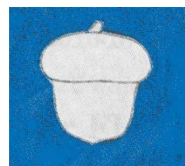
Bud is originally from Boston and Judi is from Ohio. They have known each other since Judi moved to Massachusetts as a young girl. As Judi stated, "they have known each other and have been married a LONG time." I will say, Judi did say this with a smile on her face.

Judi has been boating since she was a little girl, and Bud caught the bug when he started dating Judi. The first boat they bought in 1975 was a 22' cuttie-cabin Sea Ray that they docked in New Hampshire. They then moved up to a 26' Silverton. When Judi's parents decided to sell their 32' express Trojan, Judi and Bud could not pass up the deal. They knew how meticulous her father was with keeping the boat in shape, and had many fond memories of the good times they had spent with her parents on this boat. Judi and Bud bought the Trojan and kept it in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. As the Jennison's slowly moved up in the length of their boats they also moved the boat's location. The next purchase was a 36' Egg Harbor, which they slipped in Narragansett Bay. This boat is the only one that was not named *Schatze*. Judi named the boat "Benedict". This, by the way, was not one of Judi's favorite boats... ergo, the name. They only had the Egg Harbor a couple of years, and with Judi's blessings they then sold it. Their next boat was a 37' Sea Ray Sun Dancer. Judi and Bud moved to Texas in 2000 and took this boat with them. The next purchase was their current boat, which they have now enjoyed for ten years.

Judi and Bud have not had a lot of time to go on cruises since they have been in Virginia. They hope at the end of Bud's last project that they will be able to take more time cruising the Chesapeake. The one trip they have done was to Cambridge, but that was called short due to a hurricane that was coming. On their way home, while coming up the Potomac, they ran into the bombing committee outside of Colonial Beach. Bud thought, "these Virginians really know how to welcome a new comer to the area!" Judi stated it was quite *interesting* to see the missiles hit the water not far from their boat. Bud said there was quite a mix up in communications with the military on this matter! I would say SO!!! Bud has been through all types of military zones before, but this was a first... and hopefully the last of this sort.

I spent a fun evening interviewing the Jennisons. If you have not had a chance to meet them at any OYC events - do try. They are a wonderful addition to the Club.

Jill Stanley, 'bout Time



Treasurer

Joe Livingston

A Little Sailing Lesson

The 8th of July through the 15th was an enjoyable learning experience for the crew of the Gail Lynn II, being the power boaters that we are. If you recall from some of the mini-boating and safety classes I have given, a rope is a rope; but when on or tied to our boat, it is called a line. Also, a sheet is that white or colorful cotton covering on the berth in our cabin. Thus began our learning experience. For you must understand that on a sailing vessel a **rope** is a **line** when tied to the dock; but a **rope** is a **sheet** for controlling the set of a sail.

The absence of the Gail Lynn II on Club cruises has now documented that repairs are ongoing. Well, we had planned to attend the Cobb Island Summer Kick-Off with my son and grandson (OYC members, Jay and Alex); but when Jay was told we probably will not make it, as motivation, he started looking at sailing vessel charters out of Annapolis. Jay loves sailing.

The adventure starts... I contacted OYC member Bob Stegon shortly after Jay and Alex's arrival and told Bob that they were in town and would really enjoy a day of sailing (I was sure this would satisfy Jay's on-the-water needs). After consideration of wind forecasts, Bob set up Friday. We met for lunch and then down to OHM's "C" Dock to board the sailing vessel *Fantasy*, Bob and Nancy's thirty-one foot Catalina, ship-shape and

gleaming in the sun. How does a power boater describe a day of sailing? We motored out; we sailed; we motored in. Our host must have answered a thousand questions; we did the "tack" thing by bringing the bow into the wind; we were on a point of sail and I was at the helm looking for tell-tails (not sure what they were, but Bob kept telling me I was doing good). We all learned a lot and thoroughly enjoyed the day...right down to the cold compress towel offered after docking. Thanks, Bob!



Jay, Alex, Gail and Joe

The adventure continues... Over the weekend, a Jeanneau 45/DS Sun Odyssey, *Flying Cloud*, sailing vessel out of the Port Annapolis Marina, was Chartered. The marina offers a swimming pool, screened cabanas for gathering, restaurant and great bath facilities with great landscaping and docks, worthy as a destination stop with water taxi service to the Annapolis square waterfront area. On Monday, we motored and sailed north under the Bay Bridge and into the Magothy River, bearing to Starboard past Green "1" at Dobbins Isle and continuing to Green "3" at the Magothy Narrows. Just ahead to starboard is Purdy Point, a great overnight anchorage overlooking a horse farm with a grand view. The next day we motored into the wind and three-foot sea back to Port Annapolis. Tuesday and Wednesday were family and friends gathering time. Weather was not great, but the crab cakes, crab legs, and the fixings washed down with beer and wine were fantastic. Al Jorsey did not miss his merlot and was served a satisfying hamburger.

Thursday found the *Flying Cloud* sailing Southeast in 20-plus winds across the Bay to Kent Island and then northwest into the Rhode River. As the winds calmed, Jay was proud of his "wing on wing" sail configuration to keep us moving in one-knot winds. We overnighted with swimming, crabbing, dominos and grilled steak dinner. Friday morning found us sailing in northeast winds and tacking back to Port Annapolis. Our 4-mile reach to the bow of a large anchored cargo ship caused the weeks excitement as we passed under sail 20-feet off its anchor chain with me at the helm...I knew we still had a motor in reserve...Captain Jay was not so sure.

Who's ready to trade their power boat?

Cheers! Joe Livingston, Gail Lynn II

CRUISE NEWS...

Memorial Day Weekend at Colonial Beach

Since 2004, *Bay Dreamer* has spent every Memorial Day weekend docked at Colonial Beach Yacht Center with OYC friends. But despite being the same old destination, our ninth Colonial Beach Memorial Day cruise was not the same old experience. The membership make-up of the cruise group was quite different. Familiar faces from past cruises were not in sight, but cheerful faces of new boating friends mingled with a handful of long-time OYCers. Some of the boaters in attendance were discovering Colonial Beach for the first time; some of them were discovering the joys of cruising with OYC for the first time. While the few participating long-time members noted they missed the presence of folks who had always been with us in the past, they also remarked that getting to know new members helped to make the weekend delightful. Noticeably absent were former cruise coordinators, Rick and Teresa Sorrenti, as well as Ned and Arleen Rhodes, Steve and Sue Thompson, and Tom and Donna Lensis... all of whom have moved to Wilmington and formed OYC *South*. (Ned even coordinated a cruise for a group of boaters out of Wilmington the same weekend, complete with wine tasting, of course.)

Noticeably present were this year's coordinators, yours truly and her captain on *Bay Dreamer*, along with boat-dog Biscuit, the swimming escapee, (explanation to follow) plus Don and Anne Bennett on *Heart of the Sun*, minus boat-dog Shadow, who stayed home with a sitter for the weekend; Bud and Heidi Bishop on *Hi-Jinx*, who bicycled all around town but never found the Farmers Market and Saturday Craft Fair, (which apparently didn't happen this year) plus boat-dogs Winston and Izzy, who made herself at home in Shadow Bennett's empty dog bed; Jim and Judy Dooley on *Jus' Chillin'*, who arrived on Saturday, ready for Happy Hour, along with delightful boat-dog Bailey, who became memorable for reasons best left unmentioned; Bob Hill and Min Lee on *Rx to Relax*, who enticed their dock neighbor at OHM to join them and then convinced them to join OYC; Paul and Monica Fineburg on *The Weekender*, who began the cruise as guests of Bob and Min and ended it as brand new OYC members; Bud and Judi Jennison, who left their vessel, *Schatzi*, back in her slip at OHM and travelled to Colonial Beach by car; Bill and Peggy Johnson on *Time Away*, who have returned from Florida to their Alexandria home for the summer boating season and, as members since 2002, qualify as long-timers; Joe and Gail Livingston, who also arrived by car, leaving the *Gail Lynn II* back at Hoffmasters awaiting repairs. As members since 2000, Joe and Gail had the distinction of being the Old Timers with the most longevity in the group; Ralph Mason and Kris Butera, who have a summer home just across Monroe Creek from the marina, stopped in to say hello. Scott and Terri Miller, who arrived late on Saturday on the last leg of their

return after spending several months in the Bahamas on *Miller Time* were understandably so busy with family

members welcoming them back that they weren't able to join in our events – we'll get the full scoop on their trip later; Jay and Ellen Nix, on *In Our Wildest Dreams*, who are new members and were on their first OYC cruise but fell victim to a stomach bug and didn't get to enjoy much; Steve and Ginny Preda on *Anamchara*, who are also members of Quantico Yacht Club; Chris and Alison Rose, on *La Dee Da*, who were on their first ever empty-nest cruise, sans teen-age children and boat-dogs. Chris takes the prize for most strong-arm technique for recruiting new members – ask the *Big Cahuna* for details. Joey and Pam Sowell, whose boat, *Emma Caroline II*, is now a permanent resident at Colonial Beach Yacht Center, claim the prize for spending the least amount on boat fuel.

As for events of the weekend, I'm happy to report that OYC continues to put on terrific Happy Hours, with more great food than we can consume. On Friday, most of us didn't need to go out to dinner after enjoying the abundant spread at Happy Hour. On Saturday, after a slightly pared down Happy Hour, the group had reservations at the Dockside, which is under new management; and while the food is about the same, the customer service is better than in past years.



Happy Hour with Bud, Monica, Paul, Min and Bob

Sunday found us boarding a chartered coach for the annual trek to Westmoreland Berry Farm for strawberry shortcake and goat viewing before moving on to Ingleside Winery. This year's winery tour included a walk in the vineyard, the usual private tasting room experience, (plus an extra treat of Virginia Brut, compliments of Past Commodore Harry) and a stop in the Gift Shop and Salesroom to restock our wine supplies at a 15% discount. In a new twist this year, we were joined on our bus trip by 13 members of Prince William Yacht Club. The Prince William folks had planned and executed a surprise wedding for two of their members that weekend at CBYC. They had partied hard all weekend, and we were happy that so many of them still had sufficient party left in them to join us for the winery tour.

Returning from the bus trip, we had an abbreviated Happy Hour before going to The Lighthouse Restaurant

(formerly The Happy Clam) for another group dinner. The Lighthouse is not within walking distance of the

marina, but thanks to the generosity of those who came by car or had rented a golf cart, we all managed to arrive in time. Once at the Lighthouse, we discovered that our PWYC companions were also having dinner there, so of course we included them in our 50/50 ticket sale. As luck would have it, one of the PW wedding guests went home the winner.



Dinner at the Lighthouse – Min, Judy, Joe, Gail and Monica

Despite some stormy weather concerns Sunday night, Monday morning proved to offer perfect conditions for a leisurely brunch on the dock after which OYC members headed back to homeports.

As promised, an explanation of Biscuit, the swimming escapee: While all of us with OYC were at the Dockside restaurant Saturday night, the Prince William wedding party-goers, having finished their reception and catered dinner, continued celebrating by jumping into The Lagoon. Biscuit, who was left alone in the cockpit of *Bay Dreamer*... Biscuit, who refuses to jump out of said cockpit on her own, always requiring assistance... heard the splashing and merriment and simply could not resist the call – she jumped over the gunnels and into The Lagoon to join the fun. One of the swimmers fished her out and returned her to *Bay Dreamer*, but before he could even get back to the other swimmers, she had jumped in again.

She was again taken back to the boat, and this time stayed put. We returned from dinner and wondered why Biscuit was all wet!



Pat Croft, *Bay Dreamer*

Cobb Island

Well, *Mardi Gras* happened again this year—but this time, on Cobb Island! What a sea of fun for all involved

in this year's Cobb Island Summer Kick-Off event, courtesy of Bill Hocker (Commodore) and the Cobb

Island Yacht Club. Beads, beads, and more beads—gathered from flowery buckets across the island—helped ensure participants got a complete tour of their little island, rich in history.

From the voice-over-wireless historical marker (Thanks, Mr. Very), to the bird-watching crew in kayaks paddling their way to a bead, to the bikers rubbing their worn derrieres, the fun came in a wide variety of packages. Flare-gun shooting, hand-flare waving, and other useful events helped the uninitiated in boating safety understand the dos and don'ts of flare usage. Boat inspections were quick but thorough (another bead, of course) and the drinks flowed freely.

For those who haven't attended the Cobb Island event, Friday arrivals (prior to 1700, or you may be on your own) help with the dance for a slip – we couldn't squeeze into ours and got stuck halfway in, but had plenty of time to maneuver around after being directed to another. Boats in general company on the transit down the river included Bill Aker's *Morgan Jane*, Jim Crabill and Lee Moyer's *Encore*, Don and Anne Bennett's *Heart of the Sun*, Steve and Ginny Preda's *Anamchara*, and Bud and Heidi Bishop's *Hi-Jinx*.

Friday's happy hour started at lunch at Scuttlebutt's, home to Bishop's *Hi-Jinx* and Harry and Pat Croft's *Bay Dreamer*... and then carried over to Pirate's Den where Larry and Barbara Freedman's *Takin' to the Sea*, Jim and Judy Dooley's *Jus Chill N*, Mike and Karen Crouch's *Makia*, Ralph Mason and Kris Butera's *Party Time*, and Jim Crabill and Lee Moyer's *Encore* were tied up...and then to Shymanski's on Don and Anne Bennett's *Heart of the Sun*, with Preda's *Anamchara* margaritas as an added touch. The Shymanski's crowd also included Steve and Jill Stanley's *'bout Time*, Randy and Susan Willetts' *Takin it Easy*, and Bob Hill and Min Lee's *Rx to Relax*. After a great extended happy hour, almost all headed to dinner at that marina's restaurant. Following a meal, the crowd dwindled rapidly in preparation for an early reveille for the scavenger hunt.

The scavenger hunt (not really a scavenger hunt like you and I know them, but more like an Easter egg hunt) began with a briefing on Saturday morning at 0830, flare event at 1030, 1899's house tour at 1245, shuttle bus ("Catch me if you can, and I'll give you another bead, gingerbread man"). All events provided their own bead for participation, and in between events bike rides or hikes around the island allowed the discovery of other beads from colored buckets in nooks and crannies of Cobb Island.

With Vice-Commodore Jim and Judy Dooley's arrival on *Jus Chill~N*, the OYC contingent was complete; and, in my view, at the end of the day we had the best combined bead count of any of the yacht clubs.



Saturday Happy Hour on Hi-Jinx

Sunday morning was tough—even after coffee I was slow getting going. Not to be deterred though, a large group headed to the Sunday omelette brunch at Pirate's Den where Bloody Mary's flowed and allowed some of us to loosen our tired joints and sore butts. After another relaxing ride around the island, we joined the conga-line of boats heading slowly back to sea. Homeward bound! It was a great trip; hope to see you on the next Cobb Island Summer Kick-Off! What a great boating adventure!

Bud & Heidi Bishop, *Hi-Jinx*



JULY DATEMARKERS

BIRTHDAYS

Janet Higgins 7/1	Patricia Croft 7/2
Daniel Carr 7/4	Kevin Jackson 7/9
Christie Schondel 7/10	Pat Schondel 7/13
Michelle DeDitius 7/15	Joseph Ward 7/17
Joseph Hoffmaster 7/26	Bob Nalevanko 7/28

ANNIVERSARIES

Harry & Patricia Croft 7/2
Jack & Sharon Striker 7/30

UPCOMING CRUISES

4TH of JULY

We still plan a raft-up in Washington Channel on the 4th. Please email bennettdon@comcast.net ASAP if you're interested. Don & Anne Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*

PRYCA Float-In at Coles Point Plantation, July 13-15
(See Vice Commodore Jim Dooley's article, p. 2)

Mark these 2012 dates...

**4th of July
Fireworks Raft-Up
Washington Channel
July 4th**

**Coles Point
PRYCA Float In
July 13-14-15**

**Old Town Alexandria
August 3-5**

**PRYCA Aquia Harbor
Dog Days
August 17-19**

OYC WEBSITE!

Have you noticed the OYC Website has a new look? It's still a work in progress and will soon include a *Members Only* section. Check it out at www.occoquanyachtclub.org !!!



SAFETY FIRST THIS 4TH OF JULY!

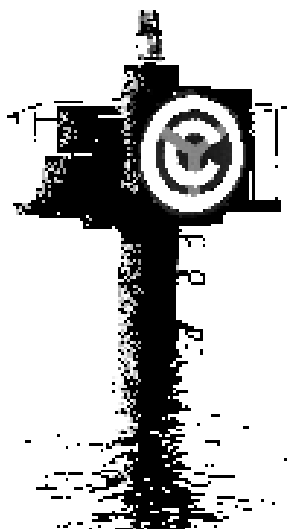
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