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## SPRING SOON COME

Welcome to 2014 Cruising Season!

The planning of this season's events and cruises is well underway. As I said before, I want to focus on safety, fun, THE CUP and getting more of our membership involved by having more low and no-cost events this season. Please provide Bud and Pat the support and ideas they will need to make this another fun season. If you have not already done so, provide your list of cruises to Bud. You can also use the cruise selection section within your user profile on the website. By using this method you can ensure we have your correct profile information; and after selecting or updating your choice of events, a message will be sent to Bud and the Webmaster automatically with your selections and boat information without your having to fill out a form. Please contact the Webmaster if you have any issues accessing the site.

One of the steps to planning for a safe boating season is to prepare yourself and your boat for a Coast Guard Vessel Safety Check.

The following excerpt is from the Vessel Safety Check Manual:

"The mission of the Coast Guard Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) program is to minimize the loss of life, personal injury, property damage and environmental impact associated with the use of recreational boats, through preventive means, in order to maximize safe use and enjoyment of U.S. waterways by the public. The Vessel Safety Check program fully supports this mission.

The VSC program helps to achieve voluntary compliance with federal and state recreational boating safety laws, particularly regarding the carriage of safety equipment. It also raises boaters' awareness of safety issues through one-on-one contact by volunteer vessel examiners....

Vessel Safety Checks are generally performed on recreational boats under 65 feet. Vessel Safety Check requirements parallel federal and individual state regulations regarding equipment and safety conditions of the vessel. A VSC is not a law enforcement action. No official report is made to any law enforcement authority. A Vessel Safety Check is performed only with the consent of the owner or operator, who must be present at the time of the examination. A Vessel Safety Check does not circumvent the right of any federal, state or local law enforcement officer to verify the presence and condition of safety equipment."



To help you prepare for the USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Examination, we have provided links on the web site to virtual exams and a copy of the Vessel Safety Checklist. Items in the inspection include checks that:

- Registration Numbers are clearly visible when viewed and of the proper size according to State of Virginia watercraft Laws.
- Have the up-to-date boat registration expiration stickers on the hull of the vessel or on the mast, depending on vessel type.
- Fire extinguisher(s) must be on board and they must be Coast Guard approved and fully charged.
- Life Jackets must be accessible to the crew, in good condition, and sized accordingly for each person aboard.
- There must be at least three, dated visual distress flares on board, not due to expire within six months. The expiration date is stamped on each flare.
- There must be a sound-producing device on board (such as a whistle or horn).
- Navigation lights must work and must be appropriate for the boat type and boat size.

http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org/2013/Vessel\_Safety\_ Check.pdf

http://vdept.cgaux.org/vve/launch.htm

http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=vdept&category=virtual-safety-check

Remember, be prepared and make it easy on the inspector by having all of your documentation together.

Safe and happy boating! Don Bennett, *Heart of the Sun* 



# Vice Commodore

# **Bud Bishop**

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Hello once again, and welcome to the boating season! Boy that sounds great! The Planfest is behind us and we have a full boating calendar once again. And in between events, you can count on at least one of us being out in Mattawoman, Belmont Bay, or Tim's to name a few of the favorite rafting hangouts. I have made my own personal Facebook event page called "Weekend Raftups on the Occoquan" that you may 'like' to get the latest updates on such events that I am aware of (caution: if you 'like/join' and then announce you'll be there, make sure you don't post any info (names) that leaves your or someone else's house open for a burglary), and our webmaster is working on a more secure page on our OYC website. The schedule is posted below for your viewing pleasure.

# 2014 OYC Events

JANUARY	
25 FEBRUARY	Pre-Planfest
22	Planfest
MARCH 15	General Meeting / Photo Contest at FYC
APRIL 4-6	Early Bird Cherry Blossom Cruise
MAY	
3 17	OYC Flag Raising at OHM Blessing of the Fleet on the Occoquan
23-26	Colonial Beach / Solomons Island (2)
JUNE	
7 13-20	Fajita Fest at OHM Chesapeake Cruise #1
20-22	PRYCA Cobb Island "Cobb Vegas"
28-29	Tim's 1 / Rivershore Fireworks Raft-Up
JULY	
3-6 13-17	DC Fireworks (3 options) Chesapeake Cruise #2
18-20	PRYCA Float-In THE CUP!
20 - ?	Lower-Potomac Cruise
AUGUST	Cillingr's Onvise ( Deft Lin
2-3 8-10	Gilligan's Cruise / Raft-Up PRYCA Dog Days of August at AYC
29-Sep 1	Corinthian / Tall Timbers / James River (3)
SEPTEMBER	
13	Shrimpfest at Hoffmaster's
26-28 OCTOBER	Nats vs Marlins
10-13	PRYCA End of Summer Cruise (OYC) at
	Belmont Bay Marina
25	Election Meeting / Chili Cook-Off at FYC
NOVEMBER 7-10	Hardy Souls Cruise
tba	Change of Watch Party (Option A)
DECEMBER	
6 tha	Santa Cruise to Occoquan
tba	Change of Watch Party (Option B)

If you haven't started already, it is time to get on-line and download some post-winterizing checklists. I have an iPhone/iPad APP called Boating Suite that has some good checklists in it. Get three or four of the checklists, then merge the items that apply to you into a single checklist for your boat. Prior to getting underway, go through the checklist line by line. There are many things to forget; and after four months of no boating, if you are like me you'll miss one or two big items. Big items that cost a lot are usually on lots of checklists. So, if you want to save a lot of money, use a checklist. My checklist even says, "Turn on VHF radio." I can't tell you how many times I have cast off and realized my radio isn't on. Which means I haven't used the checklist, which means-the outing will be costing me A LOT of money.

Coming up: Cherry Blossom Cruise to James Creek Marina, led by Steve Preda, from 4-6 April. Then, we have the OYC Flag Raising on Saturday, May 3, at Occoquan Harbor Marina. We intend to invite the Police and Fire Boats, local dignitaries, and even get a USCG Boat Safety Inspector for 2014 inspections. (Remember, all boats need an annual inspection at least prior to THE CUP EVENT in July.)

> See you on the water, Bud Bishop, *Hi-Jinx*<sub>2</sub>





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# Rear Commodore's Log – Cusp of Spring, But still living in Winter of 2014

It's hard to believe that we have basically closed out the meteorological winter of 2014 – while sitting here at my desk watching it snow just days before March 1<sup>st</sup> – for which the forecasters are also saying it is going to snow. I guess we remain bound to the Astronomical definition of winter which lasts until March 20<sup>th</sup> – or as Punxsutawney Phil predicted, six more weeks from February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Fortunately we enjoyed a fantastic weekend of weather for our Planfest and got a sneak peek of the coming spring and summer. Thanks to

everyone who came to the Planfest so our cruise coordinators have an idea of the number of boats they may expect for the various events throughout the year. This helps them be able to begin coordinating with host marinas on reservations and logistics for those cruises.

Our next event is the big General Membership Meeting on Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at Fairfax Yacht Club starting at 2:00pm. Come join us as we welcome new members, share stories of how we spent our winter vacations, and compare notes for de-winterizing and preparing for the spring and summer boating season! Well, not literally... those just happen to be the conversations you'll hear around the club as the main events of the day transpire.

We will also be holding a photo contest with prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in several categories, with the winners to be published in *The Daymarker*. So bring your pictures to be registered and posted on display boards and voted upon by all of our members. The overall theme should be nautical. The photographer must be an OYC member. The photo must have been taken during the past year and not been previously entered in an OYC contest. Pictures can be any size (within reason) and should have a caption on the back denoting 'who, what, when, where, and why.' Photos may be kept by the OYC Historian to add to our archives. So finally, the big question – What are the categories?

- **People:** On boats, on docks, in the water, on an OYC cruise, on an OYC outing, on an OYC land event, and on and on, etc.
- Places: Landscapes, waterscapes, sunrises, sunsets, marinas, towns visited on a cruise, and more (with a nautical theme), etc.
- Pets: Dogs, cats, animals of any variety (does anybody have a pet ferret?), your pet on a boat, your friend's pet on a boat, waterfowl, (other nautically themed animal pictures associated with the OYC member), etc.
- Phantasy: Pictures that you have electronically enhanced, modified, or created, using whatever digital means at your disposal, keeping to the nautical theme.
- Just Boats: This category gives you a chance to show off your boat, your future boat, your 'wish' boat, your last boat, whatever boat strikes your fancy – taken by you as an OYC member.

So bring your **2013** photos and enter the contest. You'll have the chance to vote on your photos and everybody else's. While you're at it, as is the OYC custom, please bring a dish to share and BYOB.

Finally, consider staying a while Saturday after the meeting to tip your grog to St. Patrick's Day. It is actually on Monday this year, but we believe in getting a head start!

Remember, spring is just around the corner, so make those plans and checklists for de-winterizing and spring cleaning your boat for another fun season ahead. Pat Schondel, *Rhumbline* 





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### March Daymarker Introductions

It is my pleasure to introduce the veteran members of the OYC Board. These board members are people who consistently share their knowledge and love for boating and work to ensure that OYC continues to grow and prosper. It is only through their guidance and enthusiasm that we all have so much fun and friendship on the water.

### John (Johnny) DeDitius Membership Chair

Johnny is a 32-year Navy Veteran originally from landlocked Dallas, Texas. He currently works as a Financial Manager for the Justice Department. He and his lovely wife Michelle had been thinking and talking about getting a boat for years, but it wasn't until Johnny made his decision to retire from the military that they took the plunge. This will be their fifth season.

Their first boat was a Regal 3010 that was named *Irish Legacy* as a tribute to Johnny's mother who passed away in 2006. He is first generation Irish, as his mother was born in Dublin. He still has family who live in Dublin, Galway and throughout County Cork. He also has a family tree that has been traced back as far as the early 1300's. The Regal was a brokerage boat, and for those who have ever bought a brokerage boat know, they basically hand you the keys and say, "good luck."

While he and Michelle had both taken the boating safety course prior to the purchase, neither of them had ever operated a boat. Johnny was down in the marina on A dock at Belmont Bay cleaning his new boat when Scott Del Monte (boating mentor) came up and introduced himself. After Johnny explained his dilemma, Scott offered to take him out and show him how to use it. Scott said Johnny would be the captain and he would just give orders on the controls.

The first time Johnny took the boat out in the basin at Belmont Bay he was a little heavy on the throttle, which caused Scott to say, "Damn, that's the first time I ever saw a boat come out of its slip on plane!" Luckily, he didn't wreck his boat or cause damage to any of the other boats in the marina. Scott was extremely patient in teaching the basics and how to maneuver the vessel. After a few hours, Johnny felt a lot more comfortable and ready to start cruising with the help of his new OYC friends. Little did he know at the time all the challenges that lay ahead with tides, winds and currents! Johnny and Michelle kept the Regal for two seasons and decided that they needed a more comfortable boat for those long weekends, deciding on a Sea Ray 40DA. Michelle named the boat *Liquid Leisure* since being on and around the water is their primary leisure activity on weekends. They enjoy all the OYC activities, but have a real fondness for peaceful weekends on the water at Mattawoman Creek, Three Sisters or just rafting up in general with good friends from the club.

They really enjoy the friendships they have made through OYC and the wealth of knowledge gained from talking with the many more seasoned boaters in the club. It's like having a live boating forum where you can get answers to just about any maintenance, cleaning tip, etc. As the membership chair, Johnny would ask members of the club to share their experiences with other boaters in the area and let them know about OYC and the fantastic opportunities and camaraderie the Club offers.

### Joe Livingston

### Treasurer and PRYCA/CBYCA Delegate

Joe wears many hats in the boating community. He serves OYC as our Treasurer, PRYCA Delegate and CBYCA Delegate. He also holds the position of Secretary/Treasurer for ORMA... the group that brings the Blessing of the Fleet to the Occoquan. When Joe was asked how long he has held a position on the OYC Board he had to think about it a while. He finally came up with the year 2003 as the first year he held an office. If you have not met Joe, you should! He has a wealth of knowledge about rules and regulations pertaining to boating and is just a wonderful guy to get to know.

Joe and his first mate, Gail, have been a couple since high school. They both grew up on Lake Erie in Erie, PA, where they spent their summers at the beach and water skiing. Gail graduated from Edinboro University and Joe from Bowling Green State University. Joe spent 28 years in the Army, in tactical-strategic imagery. Gail was with DOD for 21 years, 20 of which were within the Joint Staff, culminating as Legislative Affairs Staff for the Chairman. They have a daughter and two sons, all married, and four grandchildren. They both enjoy volunteering, or so it would seem. He has served as Commodore of OYC and PRYCA. Gail has been a past OYC Secretary and has contributed to all of Joe's positions along the way. Gail is also someone you need to meet.

Joe and Gail berth their boat, the Gail Lynn II, a 42' Chris Craft, at Hoffmaster's Marina. They started boating on the Occoquan in a 1995 with a 33' Chris Craft and have been enjoying the water ever since.

### Bud Bishop Vice Commodore

Bud and Heidi Bishop are also a husband and wife team that joined the OYC Board three seasons ago, Bud as Membership Chair and then Rear Commodore before becoming Vice Commodore this year. Heidi was Quartermaster for two years before turning it over to Monica this year. Bud and Heidi are the owners of Hi-Jinx<sub>2</sub> (named after Heidi whose maiden name is Heidi Jinx Webster). They have been members of OYC for the past three-plus years and have three children. Whitney is an assistant animal trainer working for the aquarium/marine park in St. Thomas. Christopher is an investment counselor for UBS, and Thomas is a senior at Old Dominion in Norfolk.

Heidi is a Montessori school teacher and Bud is a Program Manager for DoD contracts supporting operations analysis and energy efficiencies. Originally from Denver, Colorado, Bud and Heidi started boating during their assignment with the Navy to Whidbey Island, Washington, in the 1980's. Their 23' sailboat grew to a 27'. Over the years their assignments to Germany, Japan, and Italy from 1993-2009 brought about a boating hiatus that finally ended in 2010 with their acquisition of *Hi-Jinx*, predecessor to *Hi-Jinx*<sub>2</sub>, also a SeaRay. They are looking forward to another great season on the water.

# Don and Anne Bennett

# Commodore, Webmaster and Daymarker Editor

Don and Anne Bennett are a husband and wife team, both on the OYC Board since 2012. Don is OYC's Commodore and Webmaster (and past-Historian, luckily finding Les). Anne is Editor of the *Daymarker* for the third year. They are both originally from Cleveland, Ohio. Don graduated from the Naval Academy and went into the Marine Corps, which is ultimately what brought the family to Virginia. Don founded his own computer consulting firm in 1994.

They have two sons, who are both musicians. David, a composer and teacher, lives in Texas. Brandon is a high school music teacher, band director. He and his wife, Jill, live on Long Island and have a daughter who is three and is of course the apple of Don and Anne's eye(s).

Don and Anne's first boat was an 18- foot jet boat, which they put into the waters of Aquia Creek for a brief time in 2008. After eight hours of mostly fighting with hydrilla lodged in the jet intake, they traded it in for a Sea Ray 290 "decked-out" deck boat, which was infinitely better. However, there was a third "child" to be considered... Shadow, a 90- pound Alaskan Malamute, not your basic boat dog. So a year or so later the Bennetts were "forced" to upgrade again to something with guaranteed shade, indoor space and air conditioning, a 44 Sundancer, which can be found docked at Belmont Bay Marina. (Les and I are so fortunate that the Bennett's moved to Belmont Bay!!!!)

\*\*\* Please take note! My articles in future newsletters will be introducing new OYC members. This is fair warning that I will be contacting new members soon. I look forward to meeting all of you!!!!!

Kathy Bergmann, Bergie



# Treasurer

# Joe Livingston

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## Reporting as your PRYCA Delegate...

The Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association has identified three activities that the association will support during the coming boating season. These are activities/events you will want to attend, especially if you are interested in expanding your recreational boating experience and meeting new folks.

First, in June on the weekend of the 20th to the 22nd (mark your calendar), the Cobb Island community will hold their Summer Kick-Off. For the past few years, the Cobb Island Yacht Club has hosted this event; and you may remember all the fun discussions over the "bead competition" and also what a great weekend was reported. Well this year it will be more of a community activity with a theme of "Vegas"...don't know what that means but they are handing out poker chips to advertise. Get slip reservations early.

Second, in July over the weekend of July 18th through the 20th, the annual PRYCA Float-In will be held. This event is a must for OYCers to attend...we need numbers to compete for THE CUP. Well, not just to "compete for"...to **WIN** THE CUP! Here's the kicker... The location, costs, and all the details have not yet been finalized; but I will again coordinate taking reservations and payments and will have to meet a (Monday) 7 April deadline to turn in the Club's Reservation Package. Yes, 7 April. Please have this note serve as a heads-up to make your decision to attend, as we will have only a short time to then get registered.

Thirdly, please note that your Board plans to host the End of Summer Cruise as a 2nd Annual event at Belmont Bay Harbor Marina in support of the PRYCA. We will need OYC members to plan on attending and supporting (i.e., volunteering to help at) this event. We did a great job last year; and of course, we will need to do even better this year. Mark your calendar for 10-13 October, Columbus Day Weekend.

# Changing hats to an Occoquan River Maritime Association member,...

The Blessing of the Fleet on the Occoquan River is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, the 17th of May. Please plan to support this event.

> Cheers! Joe Livingston, Gail Lynn II



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The time is getting closer, we only have about five more weeks and spring will be here. I can't wait for it to come! I hope that we have better weather, than what we've been having.

For those of you who didn't make the Planfest and want to order some items for the season, you can look at the Quartermaster Catalog that is posted on our website at http://occoquanyachtclub.org/archive/2014/Quartermaster\_Cat alog.pdf. You can also get in touch with me at the above email, and I will be glad to order the items for you. Remember, you'll want the items before the season starts. That way you can announce our club and try and see if we can get more people to join.

I will be at the March 15th event, so I hope to see everyone that I missed. We will still have some items that are on sale such as T-shirts, tank tops, both for men and women. I'll have samples of the exciting new items that can be ordered (along with the new Quartermaster Catalog). So come by the table and make your selection.

Looking forward to seeing everyone's pictures at the General Meeting...

Monica Fineberg, The Weekender



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# Ooops!!! Did you forget something?

Boating is not at the forefront of our minds with snow, ice and below-freezing temperatures during these winter months. While the beginning of the on-water boating season is still in a dormant status (or should I say, "frozen status"), the OYC Board and Pre-Planfest Committee have been in full swing planning another great season for you, our members. However, we are only as successful as our membership. So what might have you forgotten? Our club's membership year is from January 1 to December 31; and dues are payable at the beginning of the year. If you're not sure you renewed for 2014, you can check with Joe Livingston or me.

Now the sad news... Those who have not paid by March 31 can not be included in our coveted OYC Directory and will not receive any more *Daymarkers* until their account is in a current status. We certainly don't want to see that happen, so please submit your completed renewal form and dues to Joe Livingston as soon as possible at Occoquan Yacht Club, P.O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125.

The membership form with complete information is at the end of this *Daymarker* or on our website at <a href="http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org/2014/OYC\_Application\_2014/oyc\_Application\_2014.pdf">http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org/2014/oyc\_Application\_2014/oyc\_Application\_2014.pdf</a> .

Thank you and safe boating! Johnny DeDitius, *Liquid Leisure* \* \* \*

# HISOTRIAN

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This year the plan is to update our directory pictures with a new format. I would like to see how many pictures I can get of members on their boats. I'm thinking of spending a day or two at our members' marinas taking these pictures. This is an ambitious project, so I'm asking anyone who would like to participate to please send me an email at <u>historian@occoquanyachtclub.org</u>. We had a good response to the idea at the Planfest meeting. So assuming enough members are interested, I'll send out and agenda with date and times when I will be visiting the marinas. To get things rolling, Gail and Joe Livingston volunteered to be my first victims...I mean subjects! Here's their picture on Gail Lynn II.



Les Bergmann, *Bergie* \* \* \*

# CRUISE NEWS IS BACK!!!

(That means spring is just around the corner!)

### March 15 – General Meeting / Photo Contest

Fairfax Yacht Club 2:00 – 4:00 Please see Pat's article on Page 3. Pat Schondel, *Rhumbline* 

### April 4 to 6 – Early Bird Cherry Blossom Cruise!

Once again this year the early bird cruise will coincide with the National Cherry Blossom Festival. So purge your water systems and engines of the pink stuff, take a stab at spring cleaning, get your vessel ship shape and safe and join what has become an annual tradition for OYC - the Cherry Blossom Cruise. This year we changed the venue to James Creek since Gangplank is undergoing renovation. The Cherry Blossom Festival runs from March 20 to April 13 with the cruise scheduled from 4 to 6 April. As usual there are too many events to list so point your browser to the Cherry Blossom website, http://www.nationalcherryblossomfestival.org/, and check it out. Saturday's key event is the Southwest Waterfront Fireworks Festival, which runs from 1-9 PM with fireworks at 8:30. Unlike Gangplank, James Creek requires each boater to complete a transient agreement including one night's deposit. The agreement is available on their website, www.jamescreek.com, and has been distributed to OYC membership (please check your email). So don't delay, sign up today and join your cruise coordinators Steve & Ginny Preda for the 2014 Cherry Blossom Cruise.

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# ...and CREW'S NEWS can't be far behind! (Watch for it next month)

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\*1992, 1993, 1997, 2009, 2011 & 2012 PRYCA Cup Champions

### DON'T MISS OUT!

REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN ORDER TO BE IN THIS YEAR'S DIRECTORY AND RECEIVE APRIL AND BEYOND'S DAYMARKERS!

### LOCAL BOAT SHOWS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

Richmond Boat Show

Richmond, VA 02/14/14 - 02/16/14

### Ocean City Boat Show

Ocean City, MD 02/14/14 - 02/16/14

Roanoke Boat Show / Southwest Virginia Roanoke, VA

02/21/14 - 02/23/14

### MARCH

National Capital Boat Show Chantilly, VA 03/07/14 - 03/09/14

### APRIL

# Bay Bridge Boat Show

Kent Island, MD 04/11/14 - 04/13/14

Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show Annapolis, MD 04/25/14 - 04/27/14

#### SEPTEMBER

Smith Mountain Lake Antique & Classic Boat Show Huddleston, VA 09/12/14 - 09/14/14

#### <u>OCTOBER</u>

<u>US Sailboat Show - Annapolis Sailboat Show</u> Annapolis, MD 10/09/14 - 10/13/14

<u>US Powerboat Show - Annapolis Powerboat Show</u> Annapolis, MD 10/16/14 - 10/19/14

#### Annapolis Brokerage Show

(During the US Sailboat Show and the US Powerboat Show, St. Mary's Cove, Annapolis, MD)

# National Safe Boating Week http://www.uscgboating.org/ 05/17/14 – 05/23/14

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March 2014

Planfest 2014





OYC Commodores... Bud (Vice Commodore), Don (Commodore), Pat (Rear Commodore)



Harry, Joe, Kari & Mike



Monica displaying some of the new items available for 2014



New members, Carole & Rich



Bob, Min & Sharon



Chris & Paul

Occoquan Yacht Club 2014	
New Membership Application and Membership Renewa	al

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First Mate	First Mate's Mobile
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I am interested in the following volunteer opportunities (check all that apply):

Contribute articles to the OYC newsletter, The Daymarker
Contribute pictures from club events for <i>The Daymarker</i>
Contribute pictures and short articles to the OYC Web Site
Assist with Web Site programming
Other:

- Assist event coordinators
- Serve as a PRYCA/CBYCA delegate
- Serve as a fleet captain
- Serve as a safety officer or board officer
- Coordinate an event

Please make check payable to Occoquan Yacht Club. Mail your check and this form to: Occoquan Yacht Club, P.O Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125 Please allow 2 weeks for processing your application and return of membership packet.

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Visit our website at: www.OccoquanYachtClub.org

# Virginia Watercraft Owner's Guide

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