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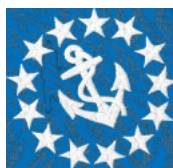
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Is Summer Really Over?

Not yet!



That's why there are kangaroos all over this page!!! The party to Send Summer Down Under will be held Oct 10-13. As OYC is the host, we still need volunteers to support the event first by attending and also signing up to help at various times, such as setup Friday, teardown Monday, providing side dishes for Friday's pizza party And Saturday night, assisting with docking, transportation, games, etc....

To volunteer, please contact

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NEXT UP!! - The General Membership Meeting and **Chili Cook-Off** is at Fairfax Yacht Club, Sunday, October 26 from 2 ~ 4 pm. This is the annual election meeting at which we select officers for the next year's Board. Our Immediate Past Commodore, Jim Dooley, has put together a fine slate of candidates to present to the membership for approval.

- Bud Bishop, Commodore -elect
- Pat Schondel, Vice Commodore -elect
- Bob Hill, Rear Commodore -elect
- Michelle DeDitius, Treasurer -elect
- Kathy Bergmann, Continuing as Secretary
- I will move to Immediate Past Commodore.

Our staff members who have generously volunteered to serve are:

- Joe Livingston, PRYCA/CBYCA Delegate
- (to be determined), Quartermaster
- John Cornicelli, Membership Chair
- Les Bergmann, Historian
- Don Bennett, Webmaster
- Anne Bennett, *Daymarker* Editor

The October General Membership Meeting is always a well-attended event. It is a great opportunity to regroup and share cruising stories as the boating season wanes. It offers long-time members a chance to get better acquainted with new members; and for new members, it's a good time to become more familiar with the club. And while the main purpose of the meeting is to conduct the business of formally approving the new Board for 2015, the highlight of the day is the Chili Cook-Off. Whether you show off your culinary skills or simply enjoy the fruits of the labor of others, the Chefs' Challenge is a gastronomic delight! Not only do you get the opportunity to vote, but you'll enjoy the great food and beverages, not to mention the prizes! So see you there, and thanks for your support!!

Coming in November... The Hardy Souls Cruise from 7-10 November and the OYC Change of Watch on Saturday, 15 November.

Don Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*



Vice Commodore

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From the Vice Commodore

The Change of Watch (COW) and awards dinner event is upon us and there is good news. We have the same great band, we have the same great menu, we have the same great venue, and... we all enjoy partying with YOU! To top it off, the board voted to **reduce the ticket price** to \$60 from last year's price of \$85 per person, so mark your calendars for 15 November. Formal invitations will be sent out soon. We certainly hope to see you there to celebrate the end-of-the-year awards...speaking of which, nominations should be sent to Don Bennett commodore@occoquanyachtclub.org so he can properly conduct our award board (bent prop, golden snorkel, etc.). There are PLENTY of candidates unfortunately!

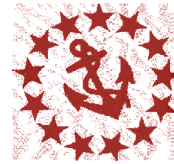
For background, the party has normally been held in December, but this year the general membership meeting attendees voted to move it to November to avoid conflicts with the Parade of Lights and company holiday parties, both of which occur in December. In the past, the ticket price of \$85 was based on an average attendance of 50 people, and we didn't quite cover expenses. But the room can hold more people and the move to November will hopefully eliminate those conflicts. We therefore hope to have as many as 70 attendees this year (given the reduced prices and the move to November). If we do get 70 attendees, then OYC may actually save money out of its budget. It's worth a try anyway! But we need your support!

There are a number of events on our OYC calendar between now and the 15 Nov COW Party, so page through this newsletter and plan on joining in the fun! Summer may be over, but not in the way we enjoy ourselves (I didn't want to say "PARTY" again...folks might get the wrong idea)!

I am also starting to focus on next year. In analyzing the attendance at cruise events for the past six years, I noticed that the number of boats that are going long distances (past Colonial Beach) is declining somewhat (from 2.9 to 1.3 trips past Colonial Beach per boat). With that decline, our collective experience levels for visits to Chesapeake Bay marinas (yes, the salt water ones) are also going down. In planning for next year, I encourage those having experience to consider offering to lead a longer cruise, and I encourage those having less or no experience in the Bay to consider shielding some time next summer to go on one of them. I have very limited experience out in the Bay, and I am one of those who will make the effort next year to visit some new places and budget for the extra fuel. I hope you will join me.

Finally, it is time to plan for your winterization—contact your mechanic, your marina, your parts suppliers, and order the parts to get you through the event. A well-orchestrated winterization will save your boating season next year!

Yours in boating,
Bud Bishop, *Hi-Jinx₂*



Rear Commodore

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Rear Commodore's Log, October Daymarker –

As I sit here on a beautiful September day I realize, whoa, it's less than 30 days to the PRYCA End of Summer Party on Columbus Day weekend, October 10 through October 13, 2014. Then I remember our club is hosting it for PRYCA and I think, Double Whoa! But then I reflect on the Shrimp Fest we just did with our OYC members and know we're going to put on a great event! We already got the rain out of the way that weekend, and we have already been offered help from some OYC volunteers – thanks to you all (but we need more). As the hosts we like to call the event 'Send Summer Down Under.' We hate to give up the summer fun and sun, so we're letting the Aussies just borrow it for the winter. Send Summer Down Under will be at Belmont Bay Harbor Marina on the Occoquan River. This year we will have a new location on the parking lot just above the Harbormaster Office with a party tent over the venue. By now you have seen the event flyer and filled out the registration form. No?!!?

You can find the event flyer and the registration form at the end of this newsletter and on our OYC website <http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org>. We look forward to seeing you all there. Saturday night will be our main event with dinner, music, and dancing – 'stop the rain' dancing! On Saturday and Sunday there are plenty of activities to choose from, such as a golf tourney at Belmont Bay, a guided tour through Occoquan Bay National Wildlife Refuge, a scavenger hunt through The Historic Town of Occoquan, and shopping and dining, boat maneuvering techniques for the inexperienced, a

craft table, painting lessons with a glass of wine for balance, and the Send Summer Down Under Mini-Olympics on Sunday. Arrivals begin on Friday followed by a Pizza Night Arrival Reception. Breakfast is served Saturday (continental) and Sunday (a-la carte provided by OYC volunteers) mornings along with Mimosa and Bloody Mary mixins. Transportation will be available to Occoquan both days. Check-out is Monday for boats that want to stay through the holiday, and Sunday evening is personal choice for everyone. Otherwise check out the flyer and registration form at the end of this *Daymarker* for more details, event sign up, and volunteer sign up.

Which reminds me, the fun part of this event is that as the hosts we get to volunteer our time and energy to make this one heck of a party for our guests – ‘Rip Snorter’ in Aussie vernacular. Please feel free to contact me at rearcommodore@occoquanyachtclub.org or Bud Bishop at vicecommodore@occoquanyachtclub.org or our website at <http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org> and let us know you're availability and areas of interest. We have active committees organizing our efforts around docking boats, registration table, golf tournament arrangements, transportation for the wildlife refuge, transportation to and from Historic Occoquan, mates on the boat for demonstrating maneuvers, volunteers for supporting the craft table, folks to set up tables and chairs and help move as events change, support to the game master for the mini-Olympics, people to help arrange meals on tables and pick-up afterward (we won't be serving, all will be buffet style), and we need volunteers to provide generators! Finally, we will be searching for volunteers to bring sides or deserts to supplement the pizza on Friday night and catered dinner on Saturday night.

Next on the agenda...

**The OYC
General Membership Meeting
ELECTIONS!
and Chili Cook-Off**

*** SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 ***

Fairfax Yacht Club

TIME: 1400-1600 (2:00-4:00) NO COST



CHILI COOK-OFF meeting and RULES:

- Everyone brings a **small** side dish and your own adult beverage.
- If you wish to enter the contest, bring your own special chili for all to sample
- Identify your chili with an anonymous name so it cannot be associated with you – this is a blind chili tasting for the Cook-Off. For example, Vice Commodore Bud Bishop shouldn't name his, 'Bud's Survival Chili', or 'Bishop's Checkmate Chili', or 'Spicey Hi-Jinx₂ Chili' because then we would all know it's his and we wouldn't vote for it.



The best part of this Cook-Off is we all get to be the judges! All the attendees will taste each chili and give them a rating of 1-5 for the categories: HEAT, CONSISTENCY, CHILI-RESEMBLANCE, and FLAVOR. We will also RANK each chili on a scale of 1-5. In both cases 1 is the least and 5 is the best. Our accountants will mumble over the numbers, multiply the RANK score by 3 to give it extra weighting, and then tell us which chili wins. The highest scores win OYC Gift Certificates plus bragging rights for the following year. The certificates include: \$25 First Place, \$20 Second Place, and \$10 Third Place. The chili with bragging rights from last year belongs to **Monica Fineberg**. So come on out everybody with your best chili for the General Membership Meeting and elections of next year's officers!

Pat Schondel, *Rhumb Line*



Secretary

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Shrimp Fest 2014

Once again OYC proved that a little rain will never stop our party. Vice Commodore Bud Bishop and Rear Commodore Pat Schondel cooked up a mighty fine meal for approximately 40 OYC members and guests.



Thanks goes to Joe Hoffmaster for opening up his sales patio and providing beer for us and for all the help given setting up and wiping down tables and chairs, cutting potatoes, manning the grill, picking up Mom's apple pies, collecting fees, and running the 50/50 raffle. It was indeed a team effort that resulted in another successful event. Special thanks goes to Heidi Bishop and Chris Rose for all their help above and beyond. They are the recipients of the Gold and Silver volunteer medals for the event!

For those who could not join us or for anyone wanting to duplicate the meal, Bud provided a great Old Bay recipe that is interactive on food.com.

- 3 cups old bay seasoning
- 12 tablespoons salt
- 24 quarts of water
- 6 12 oz. cans of beer
- 48 medium red potatoes (20-25 lbs)
- 12 large Vidalia onions cut into wedges
- 12 lbs smoked sausage
(we use 3 lbs of hot/spicy and 9 lbs of kilbasa)
- 48 ears frozen corn on the cob (three inch size)
- 24 lbs shrimp (recipe calls for shell on, but we chose raw/cleaned)
- 24 raw eggs (Pat Schondel's addition to the recipe)

Directions:

- Bring water, old bay, and beer to a boil (make sure the pot is only half full...use 2 or 3 pots if necessary. Add potatoes and onions and boil to cook on high for 8 minutes.
- Add smoked sausage and continue trying to achieve boiling for 5 more minutes.
- Add corn and eggs and keep cooking on high for 7 minutes.
- Add shrimp and cook on high for 4 minutes. With all the food in the pot, the shrimp will likely sit on top and not touch the water. They will steam as long as the pot is covered.
- Drain the food and sprinkle with old bay before serving.

ENJOY!!!

And check out some more pictures at the end of this newsletter!

Kathy Bergmann, *Bergie*

QUARTERMASTER

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Hi everyone,
Just a few lines to say thanks for all who came out for the Shrimp Fest. We had a great turn out, and everyone had a really good time. I also want to thank all who bought something from your Quartermaster. Remember, if there is anything you need before the season ends, just let me know.

The military burgees were also handed out; and for those who have not paid your \$23, I need it as soon as possible.

See you next time at the General Meeting Chili Cook-Off on Sunday, October 26th.

Monica Fineberg, *The Weekender*

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It's been a great season with many events and photo opportunities. Our Webmaster and I have been working out the bugs which kept us from posting them all due to size limitations. We now have a solution and will be posting them shortly. Due to the reduced size of the pictures, they might not be suitable for printing much larger than 5X7. If you see one that you would like to print please forward me so I can send you the original. As always if you have pictures to share, please send them to me, the historian@occoquanyachtclub.org.

Les Bergmann, *Bergie*



DATEMARKERS

Birthdays

Jill Stanley 10/2
Mark Schall 10/4
Carole Ellison 10/12
Caroline Lynn 10/19
Nancy Stegon 10/21
Rebecca Heinze 10/31

Anniversaries

Joseph & Sally Hoffmaster 10/1
Eric Reuter & Lisa Graybill 10/3
Mike & Wendy Moore 10/3
Mike & Kari Langerman 10/11
Pat Schondel & Christie Raukar 10/20

CRUISE NEWS

Have you logged in and updated your profile?
www.occoquanyachtclub.org

October 10-13 – SEND SUMMER DOWN UNDER! PRYCA sponsored event at Belmont Bay Mairna



Check out Rear Commodore Pat Schondel's article on p. 2 for details of the event.

Mail in your registration!
...found at the end of this newsletter or on-line.

Volunteer to help.
It's half the fun!

You don't want to miss this one!

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October 26 General Meeting Fairfax Yacht Club 2:00-4:00 Elections and Chili Cook-Off

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November 7-10 Hardy Souls at National Harbour

Bud Bishop, *Hi-Jinx₂*
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November 15 Change of Watch

Bud & Heidi Bishop, *Hi-Jinx₂*
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CREW'S NEWS

Labor Day Cruise to Corinthian Yacht Club

This past Labor Day weekend once again we invaded Corinthian Yacht Club. Joining us, Don and Anne Bennett (Heart of the Sun), were Bud and Heidi Bishop (Hi-Jinx₂), Les and Kathy Bergmann (Bergie), Jim Crabill and Lee Moyer (Encore), Johnny and Michelle DeDitius (Liquid Leisure), Rich and Carole Ellison (Jolly Mon), Jim and Sharon Gower (Holy Smoke), Jim and Pam Poulos

(Beach House), Chris and Alison Rose (La-Dee-Da), and stowaways Scott and Linda Del Monte.

OYC has been cruising to Corinthian for some years now, and each time they outdo themselves. Commodore Paua Hajos and their Measurer, Jim Test, worked tirelessly to make sure all of our boats, captains and crew were comfortably accommodated, to include our four-legged crew members. Everyone arrived on Friday afternoon, and the fun began with a pool-side happy hour. Saturday was a day for relaxing, which was a good thing since we stayed up pretty late on the dock Friday night catching up with friends. (There might have been some alcohol served.) The weather cooperated, and Saturday most took to the country roads on bikes for



lunch and a little exercise before meeting back at the pool. There was a small swimming competition and lots of fun and camaraderie before enjoying an OYC potluck barbecue.

There was music



and dancing



Afterward, most of the guys returned to the dock (where there might have been some more alcohol served), and the ladies enjoyed more time together by the pool.

Sunday greeted us with another beautiful, though muggy, day...perfect for our unique wine-tasting experience. Just a short distance from Corinthian is Slack Winery, which is situated on the grounds of Woodlawn, a late 18th Century manor (now an inn). The approach through the fields and woodland of this 180-acre estate offers views of the manor house and Potomac River virtually unchanged since the days of the original owners. In 1634, Lord Baltimore granted Trinity Manor to his brother Leonard Calvert, the first Governor of the colony of Maryland. His son, William, inherited the

manor and his heirs continued to live here through the American Revolution. The restoration of Woodlawn began in 1972 by Thomas and Virginia Cox and was completed in 1990. Their tireless devotion and attention to detail is evident throughout the manor house and grounds. Idyllic, yes? The manor house however was not where we enjoyed our tasting. Also on the grounds is an historic tobacco barn, which is being lovingly restored as a tasting room. This however was also not quite where we enjoyed our tasting. But I'm getting ahead of myself. Some chose to ride bikes and others opted to hop in the car provided by the winery. Our lovely hostess, Maggie, picked us up; and we managed to cram eight ladies and a few extra chairs into her borrowed station wagon. We laughed all the way to the winery, bottomed out slightly when we turned onto their dirt road, and as we unfolded ourselves and got out, those already at the tobacco barn said we looked like a clown car. Though we were at the tobacco barn tasting room, there wasn't room for our large group; so we were seated as if around an imaginary campfire in the woods.



After tasting only a few wines, gunfire erupted next to us. Not to worry..."just skeet shooting" (so she said!). After more gunfire, many funny stories, different wines and some beer they're experimenting with, we made our purchases and headed back to the yacht club... ladies



once again folded and seated on top of each other in the borrowed car. I must confess, as cruise coordinator I called "shot gun" (front seat, not the firing in the woods).

The afternoon was topped off with more sun and fun at the pool, made extra special with fancy shot drinks provided by Lee and Jim. Thanks!



The perfect closing to a perfect weekend was provided by the wonderful folks of Corinthian Yacht Club. We were invited to join them for a potluck dinner. Paula once again went out of her way to treat us by taking orders for crabs and hiring a wonderful singer to entertain us during the feast. And what better way to settle our too-full tummies than a little after-meal 1800 tequila...just ask Michelle! It's also become a new favorite of our hostess, Paula (seen next to Don in the below picture).



It rained Sunday night; and since there was potential for more, we opted to forego the dock brunch and head for our home ports...a great time had by all.

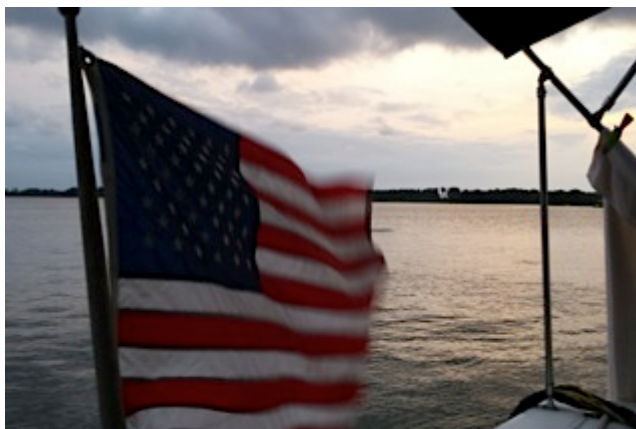
Thanks to all for a great weekend!
Don and Anne, *Heart of the Sun*

Cruising the Potomac

There are more than 100 miles of Potomac River and many more hundreds of miles of rivers and creeks off the Potomac. The history of the various ports and variety of sights from these waters are a treasure trove of possibilities for OYC cruising enthusiasts. Granted, there isn't as much "action" as the Tiki Bar in Solomons Island or Tim's Rivershore, but there is beauty and solitude that would leave Thoreau wanting.

We have visited Pt. Lookout Marina many times in the past and have always enjoyed it. This year was special because the PRYCA Float-In, an action-packed three-day event, was held there. Our plan upon leaving the Float-In was to slowly cruise our way back home, taking side trips up the enticing rivers and creeks we usually buzz right past on our way to the Bay.

After the Float-In revellers cleared out on Sunday, we just couldn't work up the energy to leave. Jill and Steve Stanley, who had bunked at Corinthian Yacht Club for the weekend, stayed on with us for a little croaker fishing off the Point. We found the idyllic setting so relaxing that we decided to stay another night. Just sitting on the dock overlooking Smith Creek, watching Osprey and Great Blue Herons was entertainment enough.



Sunset at Pt. Lookout Marina

The next day we crossed the river at near idle speed and tootled up the Coan River. Oyster cages are everywhere in the Coan, along with beautiful homes all along the banks. We had hoped to anchor overnight in the Coan, but we found that it is not dog-friendly. There are few beaches and no place to dinghy ashore for Biscuit to do her thing, and since I have not been able to train her to use the vacu-flush, (she just can't push the switch when she is done!) going ashore is a must. We travelled 4 miles up the Coan (3/4 of its length,) enjoying the scenery, before I became nervous about the shallow depth near the highway bridge and turned around, back out to the Potomac.

Our next stop was one of our favorite marinas, White Point, on the Yeocomico River. The pool is beautiful, the host, Rob Redfern, is gracious, and the setting is absolutely serene. If you are looking for lots of "action", White Point is not for you. We had the marina all to ourselves; swimming, playing cards next to the pool and just lounging around was the order of the day. Rob offers transients the use of a loaner vehicle to go into Callao for groceries or to eat out at one of the nearby restaurants; but for dinner, we opted to take advantage of the barbecue grill on the patio rather than leave the tranquility of White Point Marina.

Next day we crossed the Potomac again, this time to Breton Bay and Leonardtown, MD. Breton Bay is easy to navigate, and there is plenty of water all the way, 6 1/4 miles to Leonardtown Wharf Park, where we tied up at the newly created promenade. The tie-up cleats and posts are clearly not intended for big boats, and this is day-use only dockage. Depth at the Promenade is fairly shallow at low tide, anchoring out and dinking in seems to be the best way to visit Leonardtown by water. The town itself is about 1/4 mile up a hill. We went ashore to check out the Wharf Park, but decided to save the walk up to town for another time.

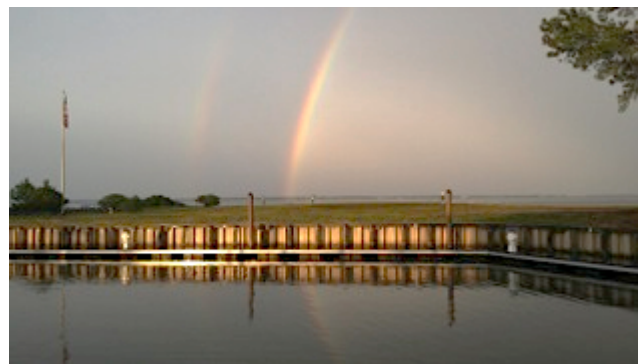


Leonardtown Wharf Park Promenade



Leonardtown Wharf Park Compass Rose

By then we had heard from Steve and Ginny Preda, who had solo-cruised on *Anamchara* up the Bay to Rock Hall and other points of interest and were on their way back up the Potomac. We rendezvoused with them at Coles Point Marina. Just as we finished a delightful dinner on the deck at The Landing, we were treated to the sight of a double rainbow over the river.



Double Rainbow at Coles Pt. From the Lagoon

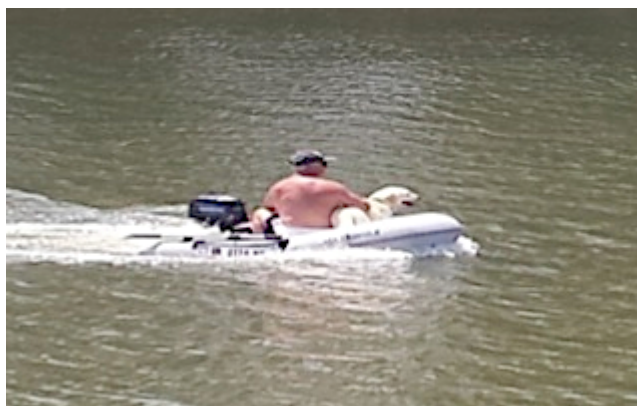
In the morning, we departed together, but *Anamchara* headed for Colonial Beach while *Bay Dreamer* continued her meandering journey. Next up: Lower Machodoc Creek.



Steve and Ginny on Anamchara

Machodoc creek has a few tight spots but is easily navigable if you pay attention to the markers, which are often just sticks and crab pots. Always keep between the sticks and crab pots!

Our intention was to spend the night on the hook in the Lower Machodoc; and since we were first timers, we crept up the creek at idle speed, enjoying the pastoral views. There are numerous anchorages that allow for dinking ashore. We found an isolated cove off a point nearly five miles up, dropped anchor and settled in for a lengthy stay. Biscuit got her potty break; and after some exploring by dinghy, I challenged Pat to a rousing game of Scrabble, which I won BTW, perhaps aided by the rum concoction we created with whatever we could find onboard. But our lazy night on the hook was not meant to be; we discovered a water system failure that had drained our fresh water supply, forcing us to return to Coles Point marina for the night.



Taking Biscuit ashore

The marina staff at Coles Point were surprised to see us back so soon but helped us tie up in a slip in the lagoon. Good thing we were prepared to cook dinner on board; The Landing restaurant was closed to the public for a private party, which turned out to be a farewell banquet for a group of 30 law enforcement officers from Tanzania who had just completed an anti-terrorist training course at the O'Gara Global Services facility nearby. (Who knew Montross, VA is home to an international anti-terrorist training facility?!) They were a friendly bunch of folks who strolled down to the docks after dinner,

introduced themselves and had a great time taking pictures of each other seated at *Bay Dreamer's* helm to post on Facebook. It was a most interesting evening!

Back on course the next day, we adhered to our leisurely pace and stopped to hunt for fossils off the Horse Shoe and Westmoreland cliffs. I found one large scallop shell about 8 million years old. After some play time in the water and lunch at anchor, we headed for Colonial Beach to meet up with the Predas once again.

While at Colonial Beach, I tried my hand at fishing, as I often do; but this time I found myself in a bit of a fishing duel with some newly discovered friends from Ft. Washington Yacht Club who were docked across the lagoon from us. When they saw that I was releasing my catch, they cried foul, since they were attempting to snag the main course for a fish-fry they were planning later that evening on the dock. I agreed to rescind my catch/release policy, and handed over the next ten croaker I caught.

By now we were back in very familiar territory, so after a pleasant evening with Steve and Ginny at Colonial Beach, next morning we headed for *Bay Dreamer's* homeport, Fairfax Yacht Club on the Occoquan.



Home at Last, Sunset at FYC

Next year we'll try a different strategy for organizing a Bay cruise. If **you** are serious about one week or more on the Bay, Saturday to Sunday, let us know and we'll plan together on ports that you'd like visit. We need commitment (as in, make your vacation plans now!), as it takes a lot of work to plan multiple days and marinas for several boats. We will probably try to time a trip that starts with the Float-In and goes on from there, which means sometime in late July.

OYC is a virtual yacht club where cruising and boat handling are primary values. Raft-ups in nearby creeks and bays are fun and economical, and they are a great way to get out on the water as often as possible. But there's no substitute for cruising the Bay to hone your boat handling skills and increase your adventure quotient. The beauty and experience of exploring the water resources at our doorstep are readily available, and one doesn't need a big boat to take advantage of big-water cruising. Years ago, we explored much of the Bay in a single engine 21' cuddy cabin, with no chart plotter or radar. YOUR boat is big enough!! So,

OYCers, let's really use those expensive boats for what they were intended and cruise the Bay. You've already covered the purchase price, the annual slip, the insurance – compared to all of those expenses, the marginal cost of fuel is minimal! I hope you will make plans to experience the Bay next cruising season!

Harry and Pat Croft on the *Bay Dreamer*

FOR SALE!

As a benefit to members, we will be publishing a listing of boating-related items for sale by OYC members only. Please send a BRIEF description of the item(s), your asking price, etc., and contact information to me at editor@occoquanyachtclub.org.

Thanks! Anne

REGAL 4260 FOR SALE!

"Pure Enjoyment"

2004 Regal 4260 Commodore

2 Staterooms / 2 Heads

New canvas in 2012

New cockpit carpeting in 2013

New house battery in 2013

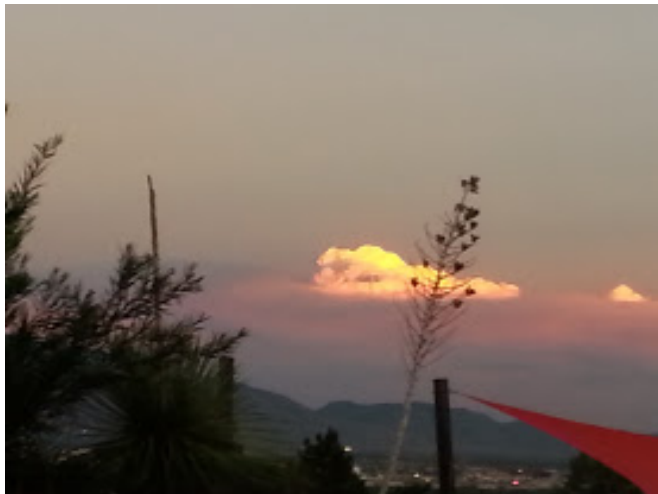
Bottom paint spring 2014

Props refurbished & tuned spring 2014

All TV's upgraded to digital in 2012

\$197,000 OBO

Contact: pamannino@comcast.net or 703-282-5276



The above is forwarded from Gail Livingston, taken while on vacation with their son, Jay. She called it "God's Creation". Thanks, Gail!

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Please submit your copy by email to

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

Shrimp Fest 2014



Kathy, Heidi & Bud get things ready



Mikey delivers Karen's famous guacamole



Chris hard at work at the grill



Lucky 50/50 winner!



Occoquan Yacht Club Hosts Send Summer Down Under October 10-13, 2014

G'day Mates! Save the date for your PRYCA End of Summer (EOS) party we fondly refer to as 'Send Summer Down Under!' We don't accept the end of the summer boating season, instead we loan the weather to our Aussie* friends!

Where? Belmont Bay Harbor Marina on the southern banks of Occoquan River
For the nautical minded that's 38°39.38'N, 77°13.96'W

Who's invited? Cruisers, Blokes, Mates, Screamers, Sheilas, and Brew Roos

What's there to do? *What isn't there to do?!* Amenities abound including:

Play in the tournament at The Osprey's Golf Club at Belmont Bay

Walk through Occoquan Bay National Wildlife Refuge

See and shop The Historic Town of Occoquan

Participate in nautical activities and events

Learn to paint while enjoying your favorite wine

Compete in the 'Send Summer Down Under' Mini-Olympics

Dance to the music of summer and the beach

Eat awesome Aussie dishes off the barbie

Don't be a Shark Biscuit and miss this rip snorter. Please indicate your interest at the OYC website <http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org/> . Slip fees are \$2/ft, \$5/day/30 amp, and \$10/day 50 amp. EOS fees are \$70 per person for meals and basic activities. Wine painting lessons (\$50), golf tournament (\$50), and dinner in Occoquan (price based on personal choice) have additional costs per person.



Have a Fosters with BrewRoo!

*Aussie translation booklets will be provided





End of Summer – Send Summer Down Under

October 10 - 13, 2014

Hosted by Occoquan Yacht Club

Supported by PRYCA

Schedule of Events

Friday:

4:00pm – 6:00pm Registration packets available for pickup at Marina Office (*@ Canopy after 6PM*)
6:00pm Pavilion open for Happy Hour and Pizza Dinner (*beer and wine available*)

Saturday:

8:30am – 10:00am Continental Breakfast, Bloody Mary Bar, and Mimosa Makings @ Canopy
10:00am – 4:00pm Activities and Classes
- Boat handling and nautical knowledge (*sign up for classes at registration*)
- Nature Walk / Guided Tour in Wildlife Preserve
- Painting Lessons and Wine Tasting (*with advance reservation and BYOW*)
- Shopping in downtown Occoquan (*transportation available*)
Sign up for pickup/return times during registration
1:00pm Golf at Osprey's at Belmont Bay (*with advance reservation*)
Within walking distance of marina
6:00pm Awesome Aussie Barbie (*beer and wine available*)
7:00pm Music and Dancing (*our Aussie friends call it A Rip Snorter!*)

Sunday:

8:00am – 10:00am Omelets and Waffle Breakfast, Bloody Mary and Mimosa Bar @ Canopy
10:00am – 2:00pm Activities and Mini-Olympic Games
- Nature Walk / Guided Tour in Wildlife Preserve
- Shopping in downtown Occoquan
Sign up for pickup/return times during registration
- Send Summer Down Under Mini-Olympic Games
2:00pm – 8:00pm Dinner in Occoquan at choice of restaurants (*transportation available*)
Personal expense not included in event fees
Sign up for pickup/return times during registration

Operations:

Ø Vessels may arrive on Friday, October 11th after 12:00 PM to get slip assignments. When approaching the Marina, hail Belmont Bay Harbor Marina on Channel 16 to obtain a working channel. You will be provided a slip assignment, and dockhands will meet you at your assigned slip to assist with docking.

Questions?

Ø Contact the OYC Rear Commodore, Bud Bishop @ vicecommodore@occoquanyachtclub.org
Ø For questions regarding the Marina, visit the Marina Office, or contact the Marina Harbor Master, Jim Brooks @ bbharbor@comcast.net or 703-490-5088



REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 27, 2013

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Belmont Bay Harbor Marina
Registration Form
(one per boat)

CAPTAIN'S NAME: _____ YACHT CLUB: _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
NAMES OF OTHERS IN PARTY: _____
ARRIVAL DATE/TIME: _____ DEPARTURE DATE/TIME: _____

BOAT INFORMATION / SLIP FEES:

BOAT NAME: _____
BEAM: _____ LENGTH: _____ POWER (circle one): 30AMP ☐ \$5.00/Day/Plug. 50AMP ☐
\$10.00/Day
SLIP FEES: \$2.00 x _____ + _____ = subtotal \$ _____ x _____ = **SUBTOTAL: \$** _____
(Length) (Power Cost) (# of Nights)

REGISTRATION FEES:

Number of People Ages 10+: _____ x \$70 = \$ _____ **SUBTOTAL: \$** _____
Number of Children Under 10: _____ x FREE = ** FREE **
Includes Friday and Saturday dinner and Saturday entertainment
Includes Saturday (continental) and Sunday (catered) breakfast

EVENTS REGISTRATION:

Free Activities (circle and indicate choice of day): **FREE**
Boat Handling and Nautical Knowledge – Saturday only
Nature Walk / Guided Tour in Wildlife Preserve – Saturday or Sunday
Transportation Available – please indicate your day/time preference: _____
Occoquan Shopping – Saturday or Sunday
Transportation Available – please indicate your day/time preference: _____
Send Summer Down Under Mini-Olympic Games – Sunday only

Special Activities:

Lunch/Dinner in Occoquan at Boat Owners' personal expense – Sunday only
Transportation Available – please indicate your time preference: _____
Painting Lessons and Wine Tasting (Bring Your Own Wine): No. of People x \$50 = \$ _____
Golf at Osprey at Belmont Bay (within walking distance): No. of People x \$50 = \$ _____
SUBTOTAL: \$ _____

TOTAL COST: \$ _____

Email registration form and mail check, made payable to Occoquan Yacht Club, to:

P. O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125

Email: vicecommadore@occoquanyachtclub.org