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From the Commodore August 2015

For now, the Dog days of August have arrived and the season is only half over (optimism)!!! We have had a number of club events, lots of fun, and plenty of sea stories as the weather, boats and boaters challenged our senses.

There is one trend that probably deserves some attention in this article, courtesy and respect. My rule of thumb... If you feel you are in a position where you aren't comfortable, ask then hoist your anchor and depart before choosing confrontation, even if it is only verbal. Easy!

In short, we have a great club with lots of great folks. Volunteer yourself to help at any event! Those of us who have been volunteering our time on the board or on cruise coordinating duties are just like you...unpaid non-professionals with limited experience (in many cases). Whether it is supporting club events or supporting your elected club leaders, now is the time to reflect on your time and see if you have enough to contribute in support of next year's board! My estimate is that it takes about two hours per week—four if there is a board meeting. Let me or Don Bennett, know if you would like to contribute.

THE FLOAT-IN: OYC hosted a Float-In practice at Jim and July Dooley's humble abode on 12 July, from 2 PM to 5 PM...great party, great time, and we owe Jim and Judy a big thank you!!! Then we loaded up 18 boats and 2 cars and set out to Point Lookout for the annual PRYCA party and competition. The theme this year was "The Love Boat". OYC had many great Love Boat characters at the Friday welcome / costume party dinner; and Johnny DeDitius as Doc, wowed the crowd with not only his costume, but his moves.



Saturday got more serious as we entered the competition.

Seamanship Exam. Two people from each participating team, a male and a female, took the test in the Service Building. The test covered basic navigation, seamanship, and general boating safety skills, with questions drawn from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Skills workbook. Michelle DeDitius and Harry Croft did us proud!

Scavenger hunt. All members of our attending team joined in the fun to collect the items listed. Using our phones and tablets, we stationed members at their boats to stage what they had to contribute and then rush the items to the designated location... and we only missed one!

Love Boat Champagne Excursion - Blind Dinghy Race.

This event started near the Registration Tent as spectators lined the bulkhead and the grassy area between A and B docks. Blindfolded Jerry Tarasek rowed as Susan Tarasek, the seeing-eye person, thoroughly enjoyed "telling him where to go" to retrieve their celebratory bucket of champagne!

Love Boat Passenger in the Pool - Rescue by Life Ring at the Pool. One team member treaded water at the far end of the pool while the other threw a life ring at their head. The ring had to be close enough that the partner could reach it without changing location in the water. Karen Crouch and Johnny DeDitius took 1st !!!

Love Boat Passenger Overboard - Rescue by Dinghy at the Pool. One team member, Jay Livingston, paddled a dinghy across the pool to rescue the other member, Allie Cumbey, by pulling her into the dinghy and then paddling swiftly back to safety.

A big thank you and kudos to the PRYCA Board who did an outstanding job planning and executing this event. Also, Point Lookout's crew worked tirelessly day and night to anticipate and fulfill our every need. A big thank you to them all for all their hard work!

Check out the pictures at the end of this newsletter!

Bud and Heidi
Hi-Jinx²



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Vice Commodore's Log - August

OYC 2015 EVENTS

End July - August

07/19 - 08/14 Croft Chesapeake Cruise

August

07 Happy Hour - The Osprey at Belmont Bay, 5:00
14 Dog Days of Summer at Aquia Harbour (8/14-16)

September

04 Happy Hour – Blu1861 at OHM
04 Corinthian Cruise (9/4-7) – SIGN UP NOW!
04 Tall Timbers burning of the boat (9/4-7)
18 End of Summer (18-20)
19 Shrimpfest
TBD Nationals Baseball Game (late September)

October

02 Happy Hour
24 General Membership Meeting & Chili Cook-Off

November

06 Happy Hour
06 Hardy Souls Cruise (10/6-8, Veteran's Day)
14 OYC Change of Watch

December

04 Happy Hour
05 Parade of Lights or Santa Cruise to Occoquan

Just what is EOS?!?

It's the ripper **End of Summer** party OYC is hosting for PRYCA that we fondly call 'Send Summer Down Under!' We'll hold the event at Belmont Bay Harbor Marina 18-20 September, and it will include our annual Shrimpfest on Saturday! We've moved the event from Columbus Day weekend to September in order to (hopefully) have better weather and better participation. But don't hesitate to do your best anti-rain dance frequently and with gusto! Slips will be available at Belmont Bay Marina. More information will be broadcast soon. Check out the flyer at the end of this newsletter, mark your calendars and plan to...

- Play in the tournament at The Osprey's Golf Club at Belmont Bay
- Walk through Occoquan Bay National Wildlife Refuge
- See and shop and dine 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 dishes off the Barbie
- **And VOLUNTEER.** It's half the fun!

Again...remember to log onto the website and update your cruises so we can get you the latest information. Feel free to revise the information often if your plans change so you don't get left out or we don't fill your inbox unnecessarily.

Thank you!
Pat Schondel, *RhumbLine*



REAR COMMODORE

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Our July Happy Hour was at The Electric Palm located at Prince William Marina on 10 July. We had a good turnout with new and old(er) -- or is it longer-term? -- members attending! ☺ And thanks to The Electric Palm for great food! The pulled pork nachos were awesome!!

August Happy Hour will be on 7 August at the Osprey at Belmont Bay and the September Happy Hour will be on the 4th at Blu 1861 at Occoquan Harbour Marina.

As we move into September there will be the Shrimpfest on 19 September, scheduled to coincide with the OYC End of Summer event at Belmont Bay. Hope all can make it! It will be a great time!!

Looking a little longer term we have our General Membership Meeting and Chili Cook-Off planned for 24 October and the OYC COW (Change of Watch) planned for 14 November. Both of these events are important for members to attend. The General Membership Meeting will be where the Board presents plans for next year and members will get an opportunity to voice their issues, concerns, opinions, and even support for the plans. You will then get to vote on the plans. So yes, your vote counts!! And the COW is the one time that OYC affords you the opportunity to wear your formal wear, yes tuxedo and all (if you wish)! It is also where we officially thank the outgoing board, in particular the commodore, and install the new board and commodore. So, put these key events on your calendars now!!

Bob Hill, *Lady Min*
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TREASURER

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Do you remember as a kid when time seemed endless? Why is it that with each passing year time gets shorter? While the fun events of the 2015 boating season feel like they have just started, it is already time to start

thinking about 2016. The Budget Committee has already started the preliminary draft of the 2016 budget that will be presented at the August Board meeting. There are four main sections – Membership, Quartermaster, Administration and Events (Change of Watch, Flag Raising, Fajitafest and Shrimpfest).

Please feel free to contact me at treasurer@occoquanyachtclub.org if you have any suggestions or ideas you would like the board to consider for the 2016 boating season.

Michelle DeDitius, *Liquid Leisure*
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Shocking News!!!

Water and electricity do not mix! Electrical accidents kill swimmers, boaters, pets and people in marinas every year. An electric shock can come from faulty boat or marina wiring, component failures, or the use of improper equipment when bringing AC shorepower onboard boats.

Electricity in the water will generally paralyze swimmers to the point where they lose muscle control, cannot swim and then drown. In some cases the electrical field can be strong enough to cause cardiac arrest from electrocution. Unfortunately, electricity cannot be detected without the use of specialized test equipment.

When connecting to shorepower:

- Shorepower cords and adapters must be clean and dry before use.
- Dock only at a reputable marina. If you have any concerns do not use the shorepower at that facility.
- Make certain there are no swimmers in the water around your slip.
- Before connecting the shorepower cord, turn off both the boat's main AC circuit breaker and the dock breaker.
- Connect the shorepower cord at the boat first, then connect the cord to the dock receptacle and turn on the boat breaker.

- Check the boat's "polarity" alarm or light (if it has one) on the AC panel as soon as the dock breaker is turned on. If the polarity is incorrect, shut the dock breaker off and disconnect the dock end of the shorepower cord immediately.

When disconnecting from shorepower:

- Shut off the boat's main AC circuit breaker, then turn off the dock breaker. Always disconnect the dock end of the shorepower cord first.
- Disconnect the shorepower cord at the boat receptacle.
- Clean and dry the shorepower cord. Store it in a dry location onboard the boat.

The good news is virtually all of these accidents are avoidable. To avoid electrical shock injuries and death

DO NOT:

- Swim in marinas. This includes your beloved pet!!!
- Alter shorepower connectors or cables
- Use "homemade" adapters or cord sets without the UL mark
- Connect to a receptacle with a different configuration than the plug
- Connect portable tools, portable battery chargers or extension cords to outlets or adapters intended only for supplying power to boats

***The above information was provided as a public service of the National Marine Manufacturers Association.

Kathy Bergmann, *Bergie*
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**QUARTERMASTER
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Hi everyone. Hope you are having a fun and safe summer on the water. Now that it is getting hot, don't forget to get your Koozies to keep your drinks nice and cool.

If you need any embroidery done you must let me know before next month. The person, who does our embroidery is moving out of town at the end of the month. We will be looking for someone else, so if anyone knows someone who can do embroidery please let me know so we can get the person set up. Thanks.

Have a safe summer and stay cool...

Monica Fineberg, *The Weekender*
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Flag Poles and Mounts

Members,

I have received a new order of the **Swiveler flag poles and mounts**. I know many of our club's members have them, and think the poles and mounts are great. For those of you who are new to the club or have not looked into these mounts, the poles are designed to fly a 12" club burgee and are made of solid machined 316 stainless steel with rotating clips and a machined iodized aluminum mount that holds the unit to the rail of your vessel.

To order for your vessel, send an email to joseph.livingston@verizon.net and indicate how many sets you wish to purchase, indicating the exact diameter of your rail (measure...do not guess). I find it easiest to use an adjustable wrench slid over the rail and then measure the opening of the wrench. Many rails are 1", 1-1/8", or 1-1/4" in diameter and size does matter for a good fit. The cost of each set is \$65.00 payable to Joe Livingston.

Looking for your request...
Cheers! Joe

Joe Livingston, *Gail Lynn II*
Past Commodore
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**MEMBERSHIP
John Cornicelli**

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Good day, crewmates!

Please remember that our recruiting starts with you. Invite friends out with you and show them how we have a good time.

Time for a little weather... Ever wonder why the winds out on the river do not match the forecast? This is called local conditions. For example, the forecast may be for southerly winds for the region, but Mariners will know that as the land cools at night it causes a land breeze. If the land is to the East (Mattawoman), that will turn your southerly wind into a southwesterly wind.

Cheers!
John Cornicelli, *Persephone*
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HISTORIAN Les Bergmann

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If you haven't picked up your copy of the 2015 OYC Directory, please send me an email at historian@occoquanyachtclub.org.

Les Bergmann, *Bergie*

IMMEDIATE PAST COMMODORE WEBMASTER Don Bennett

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4th of July in D.C. Four of our boats opted to tie up at the marinas in the Washington Channel for the 4th of July weekend. Steve and Ginny Peda on *Anamchara* stayed at Gangplank Marina, and Carole and Rich Ellison on *Jolly Mon* and Anne and I on *Heart of the Sun* stayed at Capital Yacht Club. Richard Henry and Rebecca Lasko moved *Dutch* from National Harbor to Washington Marina for the weekend until he could transition to her new slip at Capital Yacht Club. *Dutch* is a wonderful, older Seaton, which they are lovingly refurbishing...hence, the unique canvas seen below.



Both Capital and Gangplank are part of the vast renovation going on in that area. Capital Yacht Club's docks have been replaced by longer, concrete floating docks and their clubhouse is now temporarily located in the old Channel Inn. Their members' hospitality is beyond compare. We were invited to attend two of their events over the holiday weekend.

The construction, (or should I say, destruction?) makes it a bit difficult to get around in the immediate area.

Nonetheless, it's a short walk to the Mall or the Fish Market and a great location to see the fireworks. There were some clouds this year, but they didn't dampen our enthusiasm... or the view.



And as always, for any new members or in case you need a refresher...

Please log onto www.occoquanyachtclub.org and enter your username and password in the lower left. (Please contact me if you've forgotten it.) Once logged in, the "Members Only" section will appear at the bottom of the left column and you will see the "Your Profile" and "Cruise Sign-Up" options. Use the Profile option to update your personal and boat information, and use the "Cruise Sign-Up" option to select your cruises. Don't forget to select "Submit" at the bottom of the page. If you have any suggestions, questions or issues accessing the site, please send me an email at the above address.

Don Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*

CREW'S NEWS 2015

JULY 4TH RAFT-UP

OYC held the annual July 4th raft-up in the channel below the Jefferson and Washington Memorials. Once again, we had a full crowd of participants, with a high of 24 boats at one point.



Despite a bit of rain, the day was spent in the governing breadbasket of our nation. Clouds were low and tended to play games with some of the fireworks, but by and large all were visible and extremely patriotic. Tuning to public radio or the public tv channel allowed spectators to enjoy the synchronized music as well. Special thanks to Johnny for assisting with the raft-up! As usual, his cruise leadership is always on an even keel and much appreciated!

Photo credit goes to the always athletic Karen Crouch who braved the rain to paddle out in her kayak to capture this moment...note the drops of rain landing in the smooth glassy water in the lower right of the picture! In this picture are 21 boats; missing on the right is Keith Fleming's boat, a member last year, who departed to return/pickup guests. He returned later in the day to enjoy the festivities. Some boats on the LEFT side of the raft were also interested in joining the club; we even had a towboat tied up on the left side at one point. Remember, and as always, if you are hosting guests (other than the towboat) please contact the cruise coordinator ahead of time to arrange for their attendance; it will make for a better event if all are prepared for them! Hope to see you next year (although we may try to limit the raft to 8 boats and create two or three of them in close proximity)!

Bud Bishop, *Hi-Jinx*²

FOR SALE!

As a benefit to members, we will publish a listing of boating-related items for sale by OYC members only. We'll also publish member's info if you're searching for something boating related. Please send a BRIEF description of the item(s), your asking price, etc., and contact information to me at editor@occoquanyachtclub.org.

REGAL 350 SPORT COUPE FOR SALE!

"Jolly Mon"
2012 Regal 350 Sport Coupe
Purchased new from dealer in 2014
Dual Volvo Penta 300s
Radar & Upgraded Garmin Navigation
1 Forward Berth & 1 Mid Berth
1 Head w/ Shower
Convertible Hardtop
Wintered in Boatel
Contact: richwellison2@gmail.com or 540-842-2131

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
\$185,000 OBO
Contact: pamannino@comcast.net or 703-282-5276

CHAPARRAL SIGNATURE 330 FOR SALE!

"Beach House"
2012 Chaparral Signature 330
Brokered for Jim and Pam by Hoffmaster's Marina and can be seen at <http://www.hoffmasters.com/usedboats.html> or <http://www.boattrader.com/> - search for Chaparral, within zip code 22191 and 10 mile radius.

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A little more about the Float-In...
Actually, this is about only one of the many wonderful seminars and events at the Float-In.

Ruth Lovelace, Past Commodore of PRYCA and firefighter / instructor extraordinaire, gave a seminar on what to do in case of a fire on your boat. Bottom line...get out!!! Your fire extinguisher will most likely be key in helping you accomplish that, so we learned how to make sure it will work if needed.

Marine extinguishers must be Type B, and the size classification must be either I or II. Do you and your guests know where your fire extinguishers are located and how to use them? How often do you inspect them? Don't just check the gauge, but take it out and check the expiration date, then gently rock it back and forth horizontally to "unsettle" the contents as often as once a month. Then we learned how to respect the fire and use the extinguisher. "PASS" Point, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep. If you ever have a chance to go to one of Ruth's classes, I highly recommend you do so...even if you think you know it all.



Kathy did a great job putting out the fire!



Joe's grandson, Alex, was awesome!



Most valuable hour I've spent in a long time!

Thank you, Ruth!!!

Is there anything you'd like to see in your newsletter? Input from our members is always appreciated...to include any articles you'd like to submit. Thanks!

Anne Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*

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Please submit your copy by email to editor@occoquanyachtclub.org

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



DATEMARKERS

BIRTHDAYS

Alison Rose 8/1
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Russell Ives 8/9
Sharon Striker 8/12
Curtis Stokes 8/16
Diane Ward 8/21
Robert Hill 8/28
Joyce Brown 8/28

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Scott & Teri Miller 8/4
Rich & Carole Ellison 8/14
Don & Anne Bennett 8/15
Vic & Angie Scuderi 8/17
Goodwyn & Janice Morgan 8/18
Randy & Susan Willetts 8/18

CRUISE NEWS 2015

Have you logged in & updated your cruise preferences?
www.occoquanyachtclub.org

Still Cruisin' the Chesapeake with Pat and Harry
July 19 – August 14. Contact Harry if you're headed that way! Maybe you can catch up.

As we near the boating season (yes, it is getting closer!) and in spite of the cold weather, it is time to make your cruising plans! There are many destinations that require some serious cruising, but those do not include Mattawoman Bay or National Harbor. I am talking the BAY!! This season may be the last time Pat and I coordinate a Bay trip as we plan to move West to be near two of most beautiful and smartest grandsons in the western hemisphere. Once again we have an ambitious itinerary, 700 miles and about 34 days on the water.

Our cruise will start from the PRYCA Float-in on Sunday, July 19th. If you haven't been to a Float-In yet, you are really missing a premier event. It's a long weekend of great fun, and of course, competition for The Cup! When the fun has wound down and The Cup is safely back in OYC's possession, we will set off across the Bay. After a month of cruising the Bay, we will head back up the Potomac and end our trip with the Dog Days of August at Aquia Harbor, Aug. 14-16.

Now, I know it is hard for many of you to take off 34 days unless you are retired or have a lot of annual leave to burn up, but you can join us at any point in the cruise for a long week. Most of the places we will visit are reachable within six hours from the Occoquan (that's with a slow boat!). So you can either start off with us from the Float-In, cruising with us as long as you are able, or if you are adventurous enough to cross the Bay on your own, you can join up with us at a later time. The beauty, the splendor, and the history of Chesapeake Bay will provide you with many experiences that only boating can provide.

The plan is flexible and, as always, depends on weather. I have never lost anyone yet!! If the bay is rough, we stay in port another day or two. This cruise will also provide you with an opportunity to really practice your navigation and seamanship skills.

Here are a few of the places we will visit: Onancock, Pocomoke River (this is the most beautiful of all cruising places), Crisfield, Solomons Island, Oxford, St. Michaels, Whitehaven, Salisbury, Chestertown, Rock Hall, Georgetown, Hart Miller Island, Annapolis, and Herrington Harbor. We may also hit Baltimore's Inner Harbor. I try to limit our travel times to 2-3 hours for each segment and stay at least 2 nights at each place. We also plan to be on the hook several nights.

If you can't make any part of this adventure, please have a good reason: "My boat is broken" is the best one. Unacceptable reasons (with retort) include: 1. "My boat is too small" (we cruised the entire Bay in a 21' cuddy cabin with a porta-potty, no electronics) 2. "We may get lost" (head either east or west and eventually you will hit land!); 3. "My wife is scared" (come-on now, it's you that is scared!); 4. Foul weather (as I alluded to before, I do not take risks, safety is a nautical imperative); 5. "I have no experience" (this is how you GET IT!).

For those who haven't been on a long cruise with us, there are many details that I will go over in advance to be sure you have a safe and fun time. Remember, you don't have to do the whole 34 days – we can customize a shorter itinerary for whenever you can join us. So, submit those leave requests now!!! If you want a detailed cruise plan, email me and I will forward one to you, hpcroft@verizon.net

Harry & Pat Croft, *Bay Dreamer*
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Dog Days of Summer at Aquia REGISTER ASAP!
August 14-16. This year's Dog Days cruise is even more special because Aquia Harbour Yacht Club is celebrating their 40th anniversary with all of PRYCA. Always a wonderful weekend with great food and fun events! And yes, you can get up the river. **Please see the information at the end of this newsletter! Don't let the deadline dissuade you from calling.**

Corinthian Yacht Club Labor Day
September 4-7. **SIGN UP NOW!**

We are grateful to once again be hosted by the wonderful folks at Corinthian Yacht Club, who open their lovely marina, clubhouse, grounds and waterside pool to us. Well-behaved dogs on leash are welcome. Bring your bikes and kayaks, enjoy neighboring restaurants and the countryside, which includes Slack Winery where we'll do a little wine tasting...an adventure in itself! Very relaxing cruise!!! Check out CYC at <http://www.cycchesapeake.com/index.htm> and please contact me ASAP if you have questions or want to go.

Thanks! Anne editor@occoquanyachtclub.org

Don & Anne Bennett

Heart of the Sun

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End of Summer hosted by OYC Belmont Bay Marina
September 18-20. We will be throwing one heck of a weekend-long party, inviting all the clubs in PRYCA.

Mark the dates on your calendar. You'll be hearing lots more about this event. We'll be asking for you to volunteer some of your time and talents, but getting involved is half the fun and a great way to make new friends on the water! Shrimpfest, September 19th, will be incorporated into the End of Summer event. See Pat Schondel's article on page 2.

Thank you!

Pat Schondel, *RhumbLine*

Hardy Souls Cruise to National Harbor

November 6-8. This is a perfect end of season cruise before winterizing your boat. There will be dockside happy hours, relaxation, numerous restaurants to explore, shopping opportunities, a bridge walk, and many other activities to choose from. You might even want to take a few days off work and hang around for Veteran's Day that Wednesday.

OYC Change of Watch

November 14

Great food, great music, happy dancing, and the best of friends...all dressed up in fancy duds.

Parade of Lights

December 5. Brrrr! If a December cruise is within you, then plan early on how you would like to decorate your boat with lights. Few strings on many outlets will save you from blowing fuses when passing the reviewing stand at Old Town, Alexandria. Prizes are awarded for participating and include cash awards, free slips, and a grab bag of goodies. There is plenty of eggnog for all, but warm coats are a must (and mandatory PFDs - see Maryland river regulations for the period DEC - MAR).

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FLOAT-IN 2015



Doc, Julie and Captain Stubing



Susan retrieves their champagne from the island...



And they land with great timing to enjoy their champagne!



Karen goes overboard in the Rescue by Life Ring ...



Susan and Jerry set out on the Blind Dinghy Race...



Johnny makes the perfect throw...



VICTORY! 1st Place!



A successful and speedy rescue!



Kris Butera provides graceful, half-time entertainment



OYC! OYC! OYC!



Allie leaps into the water to be Rescued by Dinghy...



"Come aboard. We're expecting you."



Jay paddles to save her...





Occoquan Yacht Club Hosts 'Send Summer Down Under' For PRYCA September 18-20, 2015

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 and dine 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

– We'll provide updates, itineraries, and costs as the party planning proceeds –

Don't be a Shark Biscuit and miss this rip snorter!

Please visit the OYC website <http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org/>

for registration



Have a Fosters with BrewRoos!



*Aussie translation booklets will be provided



Dog Days of August
 Aquia Harbour Marina
 August 14 -16, 2015
[COMPLETE ONLINE HERE](#)
 (One Form per Boat)



Aquia Harbour Yacht Club is celebrating our 40th Anniversary with a 70s themed party at Dog Days of August! Come take part in games Saturday, dress in costume on Saturday night and enjoy plenty of food and friends all weekend long. [Registration for the event must be submitted online here.](#) Below are the costs and schedule of event.

BOAT INFORMATION / SLIP FEES: (no need to call the marina and reserve a slip, this form takes care of that)
 SLIP FEES: \$1.50 x LENGTH per night

POWER FEES: (we have approx. twelve 50 AMP 120/240 V slips that are first-come, first-serve)
 one- 30 AMP \$ 5.00 per day; two- 30 AMP \$10.00 per day; one- 50AMP \$10.00 per day

REGISTRATION FEES:

Number of People Ages 10+: \$60 per person
 Number of Children Under 10: FREE

SPECIAL EVENT – BBQ, CRAB & SHRIMP FEAST:

Number of People Ages 10+: \$40 per person
 Number of Children Under 10: FREE

50/50 TICKETS: 6 tickets for \$5 and 13 tickets for \$10
 (drawing on Saturday Night and the winning ticket must be present to win)

[Go online here to register](#)

Please, mail check, made payable to AHYC, to: P. O. Box 905, Stafford, VA 22555

Questions?? Email: rear.commodore@ahyc.org

Cancellation: if you cancel your reservation by July 31, 2015 a full refund will be issued. After August 1, we can only issue a 25% refund of the registration and event fees. Slip fees will fully refundable if canceled by August 6.

Pool Party: This event is rain or shine and unfortunately we are unable to refund any registration fees due to inclement weather.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 28, 2015

Schedule at a Glance:

Friday:

12:00pm – 8:00pm Registration packets available for pickup at AHYC Clubhouse
 6:00pm – Last Call AHYC Clubhouse (and Bar) Open for Appetizers & Happy Hour

Saturday:

8:30am – 10:00am Continental Breakfast and Bloody Mary Bar at AHYC Clubhouse
 9:00am – 5:00pm Transportation Provided from Marina to Golf Course with advance reservation
 (Call 540-659-4478 to Arrange Tee Times. \$16 per person for 18 holes plus cart)

9:30am – 11:00am Kayak Scavenger Hunt (Meet at Kayak Launch/Fishing Pier)

9:30am – 11:00am Guided Walking Tour of Government Island

12:30pm – 2:00pm Bean Bag (Corn hole) Tournament at AH Marina Parking lot

4:00pm – 6:00pm at Harbour Inn Parking Lot **** SPECIAL EVENT – BBQ, CRAB & SHRIMP FEAST ****

7:00pm – 8:00pm Evening Cruise Around Island (Meet at Boat Ramp)

8:30pm - 10:00pm Appetizers and Pool Party with Games

8:30pm – 11:30pm Bar, DJ Music, Dancing, Karaoke

9:00pm 70s Costume Contest, Awards Ceremony and 50/50 Drawing at Pool Party

Sunday:

9:00am – 11:00am Bon Voyage Brunch (Silent Auction Item Awarded at 10am)

10:00am – 12:00pm Kayak Tour (Meet @ Kayak Launch/Fishing Pier)





Occoquan Yacht Club 2015 New Membership Application and Membership Renewal

Date _____ Home phone _____

Captain _____ Captain's Mobile _____

First Mate _____ First Mate's Mobile _____

Address _____ Captain's Email _____

City, State, Zip _____ First Mate's Email _____

Captain's Birthday (mo/day) _____ First Mate's Birthday (mo/day) _____ Wedding Anniv (mo/day) _____

BOAT DATA : Name _____ Builder _____

Length/Beam/Draft/Height _____ Power Req'd (circle): 1-30 2-30/1-50 1-50

Fuel Type (circle): Gas Diesel Where Berthed? _____ Slip# _____

New Membership:

- ___ Family--\$75 (includes burgee)
- ___ Individual--\$55 (includes burgee)
- ___ Associate--\$30 (add \$25 for burgee)

Membership Renewal:

- ___ Family--\$75
- ___ Individual--\$55
- ___ Associate--\$30

Members can purchase additional burgees -- add \$25 to above prices per additional burgee. Fees paid after 1 OCT will cover both current and following year.

Total Enclosed: _____

I am interested in the following volunteer opportunities (check all that apply):

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| ___ Contribute articles to the OYC newsletter, <i>The Daymarker</i> | ___ Assist event coordinators |
| ___ Contribute pictures from club events for <i>The Daymarker</i> | ___ Serve as a PRYCA or CBYCA delegate |
| ___ Contribute pictures and short articles to the OYC Website | ___ Serve as a fleet captain |
| ___ Assist with Website programming | ___ Serve as a safety officer or board officer |
| ___ Other: _____ | ___ 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 application and return of membership packet.

Occoquan Yacht Club Officers for 2015

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703-402-1796
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Don Bennett 540-220-1709

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Visit our website at: www.OccoquanYachtClub.org